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Hunting licenses are sold at most of the following CDFW offices and at authorized license agents statewide. License sales are also available online at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales and by telephone at (800) 565-1458. To purchase hunting items via online or telephone sales, you must already have hunter education on file in the Automated License Data System (ALDS).

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NEW LAW ON POACHING CALIFORNIA'S TROPHY CLASS WILDLIFE

FGC 12013.3 increased the punishment for a conviction of poaching the trophy while taking out of season, spotlighting, baiting, waste of meat, or take without a tag. The fine for a poaching conviction related to trophy deer, elk, antelope, or bighorn sheep shall be not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000), nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and if the conviction involved a wild turkey, a fine of not less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year, or both that fine and imprisonment.

As defined in the CCR T14-748.6(a) the following are designated as trophies:

1. In deer hunting zones A, B1-B6, D10, D11, D13, D15, and D16, any deer with four or more points on either antler (excluding eye guards) or with an outside antler spread of at least sixteen inches. In all other deer hunting zones (all X zones, all C zones, and zones D3-D9, D12, D14, D17, and D19), any deer with four or more points on either antler (excluding eye guards) or with an outside antler spread of at least twenty-two inches;
2. Any elk with five or more points on either antler (including eye guards);
3. Any pronghorn antelope with a horn that is at least fourteen inches in length;
4. Any bighorn sheep ram defined as a male bighorn sheep (*Ovis canadensis*) having at least one horn, the tip of which extends beyond a straight line beginning at the front (anterior) edge of the horn base, and extending downward through the rear (posterior) edge of the visible portion of the eye and continuing downward through the horn. All reference points are based on viewing the ram directly from a 90-degree angle from which the head is facing.
5. Any wild turkey with either a spur that is at least one inch in length, or a beard (measured by the longest strand of one or more beards) that is eight or more inches.



A massive blacktail buck poached out of Sacramento County was one of the first deer poaching cases to utilize the new trophy penalty enhancement.

DEER TAG CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

For the 2018 deer hunting season, the following deer tags have changed classifications. Please refer to the 2018 Deer Hunts on page 26 for more information.

From Restricted to Premium deer tags:

- A22 – tag quota filled on 6/15/17

From Unrestricted deer tags to Premium deer tags:

- A18 – tag quota filled on 6/14/17
- A19 – tag quota filled on 6/20/17

From Premium deer tag to Restricted deer tag:

- D6 – tag quota filled on 7/5/17

From Unrestricted deer tags to Restricted deer tags:

- B – tag quota filled on 7/17/17
- D14 – tag quota filled on 7/13/17
- A32 – tag quota filled on 7/17/17

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Duplicate Hunting License	\$10.80
2-Day Nonresident Hunting License	
Valid only for taking resident and migratory game birds, resident small game mammals, fur-bearing mammals and non-game mammals	\$48.34
DEER TAGS & TAG DRAWING APPLICATIONS	FEE
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Resident	\$31.89
Nonresident	\$284.45
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Resident	\$39.70
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Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application	\$8.13
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Duplicate Big Game Tag**	\$10.30
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Multi Zone Elk Bull Tag	\$6.22
Northeastern CA Pronghorn Tag	\$6.22
Marble/Clipper and South Bristol Mountains Bighorn Sheep Tag	\$6.22
BEAR TAGS	FEE
Resident	\$46.70
Nonresident	\$299.65
WILD PIG TAGS	FEE
Resident	\$22.94
Nonresident	\$77.76
HUNTER EDUCATION	FEE
Hunter Education Equivalency Exam***	\$53.75
Duplicate Hunter Education Certificate****	\$6.48

* Initial qualification must be done at a CDFW license sales office, see page 10 for more information.

** Available at any CDFW license sales office.

*** Available at regional CDFW license sales offices only by appointment. NOTE: Not recognized as proof of Hunter Education.

**** Customers with CDFW verified Hunter Education Certificates in their ALDS customer record may purchase duplicate hunter education certificates at license agents or online.

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BE A HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR!

Become a volunteer hunter education instructor and help pass on California's hunting tradition to the next generation. As an Instructor, you will be eligible for the Instructor Incentive Program. This program is for Instructors only and consists of numerous hunting opportunities including wild pig hunts, X Zone deer tags, and the chance at an open zone deer tag. For more information on becoming a hunter education instructor, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education/Become-an-Instructor.

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HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

First time applicants applying for a hunting license through CDFW's ALDS must present one of the following as evidence of hunter education when applying for a California hunting license:

- An annual California hunting license issued in any prior year;
- A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License issued after the 1999/2000 license year;
- A California certificate of hunter education completion or equivalency with a unique number imprinted on it ex: (AA00000) or a California hunter education certificate with no unique number imprinted and a California hunter education validation stamp affixed;
- A certificate of successful completion of a California-approved hunter education course from any state or province; or
- A current hunting license or a hunting license issued in either of the two previous years from any state, province, European Union country or South Africa.

Applicants that have previously purchased a hunting license through CDFW's ALDS will already have the required proof of hunter education evidence in their customer profile. To ensure the appropriate customer profile is retrieved at a license agent, CDFW recommends hunters provide the license agent with a previously issued ALDS license.

VALIDATION OF LICENSE

To be valid, every California hunting license shall be signed by the licensee. Proof of identification must be presented at the time of initial purchase. In addition, the license must contain the following information about the licensee: true name, residence address, date of birth, height, weight, color of eyes, color of hair, and sex.

Acceptable proof of identification:

- Any license document or GO ID number previously issued via ALDS
- A valid driver's license or identification card

issued to him or her by the Department of Motor Vehicles or by the entity issuing driver's licenses from the licensee's state of domicile

- U.S. Birth Certificate
- U.S. Certificate or Report of Birth Abroad
- Tribal Identification Card, as defined by each sovereign tribal nation
- Birth Certificate or passport issued from a U.S. Territory
- U.S. Passport
- U.S. Military Identification Cards (Active or reserve duty, dependent, retired member, discharged from service, medical/religious personnel)
- Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship
- A foreign government-issued photo identification

Applicants who are less than 18 years of age may provide any form of identification previously described or a guardian's identification (parent or legal guardian identification listed).

LICENSE PROVISIONS

A valid California hunting license is required to take any bird or mammal. Hunters must carry licenses and be prepared to show them upon request to any peace officer. Guns and other equipment used in hunting must be shown upon request.

A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is valid only for taking resident and migratory game birds, resident small game mammals, fur-bearing mammals and non-game mammals. A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is not valid to hunt big game.

JUNIOR HUNTING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for a junior hunting license, a hunter must be less than 18 years of age as of July 1, of the license year for which they are applying.

REDUCED FEE HUNTING LICENSES

CDFW offers reduced fee hunting licenses to the following qualifying applicants. Hunting tags and validations must be purchased at the full

fee. Contact your nearest CDFW license sales office or visit our web site at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Hunting.

Disabled Veterans

Honorably discharged disabled veterans (resident or nonresident) with a 50 percent or greater service-connected disability are eligible for a reduced fee hunting license. First time applicants must provide certification from the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs and evidence of meeting California's hunter education requirements to a CDFW license sales office. After the initial qualification is approved and the license is issued by a CDFW license sales office, future licenses may be purchased at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales.

Recovering Service Members

Recovering service members are entitled to a reduced fee hunting license while undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy, and are in an outpatient status while recovering from a serious injury or illness related to the member's military service. Applicants must submit a letter from their commanding officer or military medical doctor stating they are a recovering service member and evidence of meeting California's hunter education requirements to a CDFW license sales office. After the initial qualification is approved and the license is issued by a CDFW license sales office, future licenses may be purchased at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales.

UPLAND GAME BIRD AND CALIFORNIA DUCK VALIDATION

Any person (except junior hunters) must have an Upland Game Bird Validation when hunting pheasant, dove, turkey, quail, grouse, ptarmigan, snipe, band-tailed pigeon, partridge or chukar. A California Duck Validation authorizes any person to hunt waterfowl in California (along with the Federal Duck Stamp and free HIP Validation). CDFW knows that many hunters collect the physical stamps, hunters who purchase these validations can claim their collectible stamp online at the address printed on their 2018 hunting licenses. Stamps will be mailed at the end of the license year (after July 1, 2019).

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP) VALIDATION REQUIREMENT

If you plan to hunt migratory game birds in 2018-19 (ducks, geese, coots, dove, band-tailed pigeon, snipe, gallinules or black brant) you must complete a Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey. To take the survey you must request a HIP validation at any CDFW license sales office,

license agent, or online. There is no charge for the HIP validation. Hunters may be cited for hunting migratory game birds without a HIP validation in their immediate possession.

DUPLICATE LICENSES

Your customer record contains a history of all your license purchases. If you lose your license or additional validations, you can go to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales and purchase a duplicate license and validations.

DISABLED ENTITLEMENTS

CDFW offers the following free disabled entitlements to any resident or nonresident hunter that meets the qualifications. These entitlements must be certified by a licensed physician and submitted to CDFW's License and Revenue Branch. Hunters that qualify for these entitlements must also have a valid California hunting license in possession while hunting.

Disabled Archer Permit

A disabled archer permit is available to any hunter who has permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs one or both upper extremities preventing the hunter from drawing and holding of a bow in a firing position. The Disabled Archer Permit authorizes the disabled archer to use a crossbow or device which holds a string and arrow in the firing position, to assist in the taking of birds and mammals under the conditions of an archery tag or during archery season.

Certification from a licensed physician is required. If the physician indicates on the initial application that the disability is permanent, hunters may renew the permit every year at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales.

If the disability is temporary, the physician is required to enter the end date of the disability on the application. Temporary permits may be renewed at any CDFW's license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales every year until the temporary disability end date; once the end date has passed re-certification is required.

Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit

A disabled muzzleloader scope permit is available to any visually impaired hunter having a permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs the vision of a hunter, preventing the hunter from viewing and aligning the sights of a muzzleloader rifle with the target in order to hunt deer. The Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit allows the hunter to use a 1X scope on a muzzleloader rifle while hunting under the conditions of a muzzleloader deer hunt tag. Hunters must renew the permit each license year, but hunters may provide a copy of their previously issued permit to CDFW's License and Revenue Branch to renew annually.

Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License

A Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License is available for any mobility impaired disabled hunter who must use a motor vehicle to pursue game. The Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License allows a hunter to discharge a firearm from a vehicle that is stopped and its engine turned off. To qualify, a person must be either permanently or fully confined to a wheel chair, a single or double amputee above the knee or double amputee below the knee, or depend upon the aid of a walker, crutches, etc. to walk. Certification from a licensed physician is required. The license is only available from CDFW's License and Revenue Branch.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Class Options

Hunter education classes include instruction in firearms safety and handling, sportsmanship and ethics, wildlife management and conservation, archery, black powder, wildlife identification, game care, first aid, and survival. Classes are offered in two formats:

1. Traditional (minimum of 10 hours of classroom, homework, and field instruction) or
2. Online course and follow-up class. For more information or to register for a class, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education.

Hunter Education Equivalency Exams

Hunter education equivalency exams are given by appointment only at CDFW regional offices for a fee. In some states, the California equivalency certificate may not be accepted as evidence of hunter education. For more information on the hunter education equivalency exam, contact your nearest CDFW regional office.

Duplicate Hunter Education Certificates

Duplicate hunter education certificates can be issued to any person who completed and passed a hunter education class. If the class was completed prior to 1989, CDFW does not have records before this date; the hunter should contact the original instructor, club, or organization where the course was taught to obtain a duplicate. If the hunter is unable to obtain a duplicate through these means, they will have to repeat the course. Visit the hunter education web page at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education for more information.

ADVANCED HUNTER EDUCATION

Advanced Hunter Education Clinics are species specific or skill specific. Learn how to field dress a deer, call in a mallard, find your way out of the woods, process and prepare your game for the table, plus much more! For additional information, including clinic dates and locations, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education/Advance.

Bowhunter Education Class

Although bowhunter education training is not required in California, many states do require it for all bowhunters. CDFW's bowhunter education program meets the requirements of all states. For more information or to register for a class, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education.

STAY CONNECTED TO CDFW

Having your e-mail address and mobile number will enable CDFW to send you information you can use, such as license sales dates, harvest report card deadlines and other hunting information as it becomes available. When purchasing a license from a license agent or online, you may update your profile by providing your e-mail address and mobile number. Fish and Game Code, Section 1050.6, and California Government Code, Section 11015.5, prohibit CDFW from selling or sharing your personal information with any third party.

REGULATIONS ON THE GO

Did you know you can now download state hunting and fishing regulations to your smartphone or other device?

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Trinty M., X3B Zone

DEER TAGS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

In addition to a valid California hunting license, deer tags are also required and must be in possession when taking deer. Hunters may obtain two deer tags per license year. Applicants for deer tags must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1, of the license year for which they are applying or at the time of application if they are applying after July 1. A First-Deer Tag Drawing Application or First-Deer Tag must be purchased before or at the same time as a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application (junior hunters only) or Second-Deer Tag.

License and Tag Privileges Can Be Revoked

It is illegal to purchase more than one First-Deer Tag Drawing Application/First-Deer Tag and one Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application/Second-Deer Tag in the same license year. Persons convicted of a deer violation during the 2017-18 license year may not apply for deer tags in 2018-19.

The Fish and Game Code provides that the Fish and Game Commission shall revoke the hunting privileges of any person who is convicted of three violations of the state's hunting laws or regulations within any five-year period. (FGC 12155, CCR T-14 745.5).

DEER TAG INFORMATION

Applicants may purchase deer tags or apply in the annual Big Game Drawing at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales or by telephone

sales at (800) 565-1458. Allow 15 days to receive license items purchased online or by telephone.

Premium deer tags are issued by drawing. Restricted and unrestricted deer tags are issued upon request until the tag quota for the hunt is filled.

HUNT TAG DESCRIPTIONS

A, B, and D Zone Hunt Tags

These tags allow hunting during the archery season with archery equipment only and during the general season with a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. Tags are valid for a specific zone of issuance except:

- A zone tag is valid in both A North and A South;
- B Zone tags are valid in any B zone;
- D3-5 tags are valid in zones D3, D4, and D5; and
- D11, D13, or D15 tags may be used in any of these three zones.

C Zone Hunt Tag

A C zone tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3, and C4 during the general season only, using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. To hunt with archery equipment only during the archery season in any C zone you must apply in the Big Game Drawing for an A1 Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.

X Zone Hunt Tags

These tags allow hunting during the general season only, in a specific zone using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow.

Archery-Only (AO) Hunt Tag

The AO (Archery-Only) tag allows hunting with archery equipment only during the archery and general seasons in A, B, or D zones and Hunt G10 (military only). To hunt during an X zone or C zone archery season, you must have an Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag for the appropriate zone. You may not possess a firearm or crossbow when hunting under the authority of an Archery-Only deer tag except as otherwise provided.

Apprentice Hunt Tags

Applicants must be less than 18 years of age as of July 1, of the license year for which they are applying, and must possess a valid 2018-19 California Junior Hunting License. See page 13 for more information on Apprentice Deer Hunts. Junior hunters receiving Apprentice Deer Hunt tags must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older while hunting.

Area-Specific Archery Hunt Tags

These tags allow archery hunting in designated areas throughout the state, including X zones.

Military Lands Hunts

G8, J10 and A33 (Additional Hunt Deer Tags), are held on military installations and offer limited number of tags for the public. Tags are issued through CDFW's Big Game Drawing.

Additional Military Lands Hunts, G7 (Beale Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt), G10 (Camp Pendleton Marine Corp Base Either Sex Hunt), and G11 (Vandenberg Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt) are for military personnel only. Military personnel must contact the base directly for information on application procedures. Hunters interested in the G7 hunt tag may contact the Beale AFB Natural Resources Office at (530) 634-2645. For information on the G10 hunt tag contact the Camp Pendleton Marine Corp Base at (760) 725-3360 and for the G11 hunt tag, contact the Vandenberg Conservation Law Enforcement Office at (805) 606-6804.

Deer Tag Exchanges

Premium deer tags cannot be exchanged. Non-Premium deer tags may be exchanged if all of the following conditions are met:

- The earliest season (either archery or general) for the tag being exchanged has not yet opened;
- The tag quota for the tag being exchanged has not filled;
- Tags are still available for the zone being requested; and
- The exchange fee of \$10.30 for the exchange tag accompanies your request.

Deer tag exchanges are only processed at CDFW license sales offices (CCR T14-708.4).

Deer Tag Refunds

Deer tag fees are nonrefundable. Deer Tag Drawing Application fees are nonrefundable once the deer tag application has been entered into the Big Game Drawing or a deer tag has been issued regardless of

closures of any zone or hunt due to fire, weather or other natural disasters. (CCR T14-708.2)

DEER DEFINITIONS

Antlerless Deer

Female deer, fawns of either sex other than spotted fawns, and male deer with an unbranched antler on one or both sides which is not more than three inches in length (CCR T14-351(b)).

Either-sex Deer

Antlerless deer, or legal bucks that have two or more points in the upper two-thirds of either antler (CCR T14-351(c)).

Forked-horn Buck

A male deer having a branched antler on either side with the branch in the upper two-thirds of the antler. Eyeguards or other bony projections on the lower one-third of the antler shall not be considered as points or branches (CCR T14-351(a)).

Spike Buck Deer

A male deer with unbranched antlers on both sides which are more than 3 inches in length (FGC 204(d)).

DEER TAG CLASSIFICATIONS

Deer tags are issued for a specific hunt. Each hunt has a tag quota — the total number of tags that can be issued. Deer hunts are categorized into three different classifications (premium, restricted and unrestricted) based on the prior year's demand for the tag. Hunt classification determines tag issuance method and other rules as follows:

Premium Deer Hunts are any hunt where the quota filled on or before the first business day after July 1, of the previous year. Hunters may only obtain one premium hunt tag per license year, except junior hunter may also apply for Apprentice Hunts using a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application. To apply for a premium deer hunt tag, hunters must apply in the Big Game Drawing using a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

Premium Deer Tags for 2018 are:

- **General Zone Hunts:** C, D9, D12, and D17;
- **X Zone Hunts:** X1, X2, X3A, X3B, X4, X5A, X5B, X6A, X6B, X7A, X7B, X8, X9A, X9B, X9C, X10 and X12;
- **General Method Hunts:** G1, G3, G6, G8, G12, G13, G19, G21, G37, G38 and G39;
- **Muzzleloader Hunts:** M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8, M9, M11, MA1 and MA3;
- **Area-Specific Archery Hunts:** A1, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A9, A11, A12, A13, A14, A15, A16, A17, A18, A19, A20, A21, A22, A24, A25, A26, A27, A30, A31 and A33;
- **Apprentice Hunts:** J1, J3, J4, J8, J9, J10, J11, J12, J13, J14, J15, J16, J17, J18, J19, J20 and J21.

Restricted Deer Hunts are any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after August 1 of the previous year. Restricted deer hunt tags may be issued upon the purchase of a First-Deer Tag. Second-Deer Tag applicants may also obtain a restricted deer hunt tag at any time, if you do not have a pending drawing application, have not been issued a premium deer hunt tag or restricted deer hunt tag as a First-Deer Tag. Restricted tags are issued upon request until the tag quota for the hunt is filled.

Restricted Deer Tags for 2018 are:

- **General Hunt Zones:** B, D6, D14, and D16.
- **Area-Specific Archery Hunt:** A32.

Unrestricted Deer Hunts are any hunt that did not fill on or before the first business day after August 1, in the previous year. Unrestricted deer hunt tags are issued upon the purchase of either a First-Deer Tag or Second-Deer Tag.

Unrestricted Deer Tags for 2018 are:

- **Archery Only Hunt:** AO
- **General Hunt Zones:** A, D3-5, D7, D8, D10, D11, D13, D15 and D19;

FIRST DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

A First-Deer Tag Drawing Application may only be used to apply for the following hunts:

- **First Choice — Premium Deer Hunts or PD (Point Deer)** — The preference point code may be used as the first choice to obtain a preference point without competing in the first choice round of the drawing.
- **Second and Third Choice — Second and third hunt choices are optional and may be a premium deer, restricted deer or unrestricted deer hunt tag.**

SECOND DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

A Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application may **only** be used by junior hunters to apply for Apprentice Hunts, and only if they have not applied for Apprentice Deer Hunts on their First-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application hunt choices are limited as follows:

- **First Choice — Must be an Apprentice Deer Hunt or PD (Point Deer)** — The preference point code may be used as the first choice to obtain a preference point without competing in the first choice round of the drawing.
- **Second and Third Choice — Second and third choice hunts are optional and may be another Apprentice Deer Hunt or unrestricted deer hunt tag.** Junior hunters may select a restricted deer hunt as their second or third tag choice **only** if they were issued an unrestricted deer tag as their First-Deer Tag or do not have a pending First-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

FIRST DEER TAG

A First-Deer Tag may be used to obtain the following:

- Restricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Leftover Premium Deer Hunt Tags issued on July 2, 2018

If any premium deer hunt tags remain after the Big Game Drawing, First-Deer Tag applicants may apply for any leftover premium deer hunt tags starting at 8 a.m. on July 2, 2018.

SECOND DEER TAG

A Second-Deer Tag may be used to obtain the following:

- Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Restricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Leftover Premium Deer Hunt Tags issued on August 2, 2018.

Second-Deer Tag applicants may obtain any restricted deer hunt tag at any time if they do not have a pending First-Deer Tag Drawing Application or have not been issued a premium or restricted deer tag as a First-Deer Tag.

Starting at 8 am on August 2, 2018 all Second-Deer Tag applicants may apply for any remaining deer tag regardless if you have been issued a premium or restricted deer tag already.

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See instructions for applying in the 2018 Big Game Drawing for your elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep tags.

For the 2018 Big Game Drawing, 16 is the maximum number of preference points for any species a hunter can have. CDFW started tracking preference points in 2002. To look up your preference points totals log on to your customer profile at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales.

APPLYING IN THE BIG GAME DRAWING

Applicants can apply for the Big Game Drawing at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458. All transactions for Big Game Drawing entries must be completed before midnight on June 2, 2018. Applicants applying for preference points only must also submit their applications by the same date and time.

You will need to purchase a California hunting license and the appropriate Big Game Drawing Tag Applications:

- First-Deer Tag Application (junior hunters may apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts on a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application). See page 26 for deer tag hunt codes.
- Elk Tag Drawing Application, see page 48 for elk hunt codes.
- Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application, see page 52 for pronghorn hunt codes.
- Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawing Application, see page 55 for bighorn sheep hunt codes.
- Fund-raising Drawing Application — Open Zone Deer tag, Multiple Zone Elk tag, North-eastern California Pronghorn tag and Marble/Clipper and South Bristol Mountains Bighorn Sheep tag, see page 18.

- (1) Retrieving Your Customer Record:
 - (a) If applying at a CDFW license sales office or a license agent, provide a previous ALDS issued license for the agent to scan.
 - (b) If applying online or by telephone sales, use the GO ID (printed above your 'STATE ID') from a previously issued ALDS license to retrieve your customer record. See instructions on page 16 for more information on applying online.

- (2) Applying for Another Person: If you are applying for someone else or party members, bring their previously issued ALDS license or their identification number and date of birth.
- (3) Proof of Hunter Education Requirement: Hunter education information must already be on file in your ALDS profile. For new applicants, please bring your required proof of hunter education with you to the license agent. **Note:** Hunters who have purchased hunting items via ALDS already have hunter education on file in their customer profile.
- (4) Items to Purchase:
 - (a) Purchase your 2018-19 California hunting license.
 - (b) Provide the sales clerk the 2018 hunting items you would like to apply for (see the list of items from the previous column) and the hunt code for each tag application for which you want to apply. **Note:** For deer, you should confirm the correct order of your hunt choices.

APPLYING AS A PARTY

The maximum number of party members for deer is six (6). For elk and pronghorn, only residents may apply as a party of two. Hunters cannot apply as a party for bighorn sheep. You will receive a different Drawing Receipt and Party Number for each species for which you are applying. Make sure you are giving the correct Party Number from each Drawing Receipt to the correct hunting party.

When applying for a deer, elk, or pronghorn drawing tag application you will be prompted as to whether you are:

- (a) Applying alone or creating a new party (party leader).
- (b) Joining an existing party.

The first member of the party to apply should indicate they are applying as the leader. They will be prompted for their hunt choice(s) and issued a Party Number (printed on their Drawing Receipt at the end of the transaction). **Note:** Every

COMMON MISTAKES WHEN APPLYING IN THE DRAWING

- Online customers forget to click on the "Submit Payment" button to process the transaction.
- Online customers "Add to Cart" a first deer tag instead of the First Deer Tag Drawing Application located under the "Drawings" list.
- Customers leave the license sales agent with a deer tag instead of a Deer Drawing Receipt. The drawing receipt shows that you have applied in the drawing.
- A customer who does not retrieve their existing profile, creates a duplicate profile and is not connected to their preference points or hunter education. Therefore the customer is not able to purchase a hunting license and cannot apply in the drawing.
- Customers don't apply early and miss the deadline to apply.

applicant will receive a Party Number printed on their Drawing Receipt.

The party leader must provide the Party Number to additional members to 'authorize' them to join the party. **Note:** CDFW license sales staff and license agents do not have access to a party leader's Party Number.

When other party members apply they must indicate that they are joining an existing party, and provide the Party Number to the sales clerk (or enter it themselves if applying online). **Note:** If other members of the party are applying in the same sales transaction, they will not need the party number and can just indicate to the sales clerk that they are joining that person's party.

When the Party Number is entered in the drawing application screen it will bring up the hunting party and hunt choice information. The sales clerk should confirm that this is the correct party and hunt choice with the purchaser. If this is not the correct party, the sales clerk can cancel and re-enter the Party Number. If correct, the sales clerk can confirm, and this will link the new member to the party. (**Note:** If applying online, the confirmation screen will display for the customer with the options to cancel or confirm).

Hunters joining an existing party will be assigned the same tag choices in the same order as the party leader and all party members will be linked in the drawing together.

Party applications can be made up of transactions submitted in the same sales transaction or through several transactions. In addition, hunters can submit their drawing applications at any CDFW license sales offices, license agents, online, or by telephone sales.

Important: Applicants will receive a Drawing Receipt for each species for which they are applying. If you were issued a first deer tag instead of a Drawing Receipt, at the license agent, you were **not** entered into the Big Game Drawing. You will **not** earn a preference point and will **not** be drawn for a premium deer tag.

Check Your Drawing Receipt Carefully!

Hunters should verify the information on their Drawing Receipt before leaving the sales counter. The receipt will include the applicant's name, hunt choice(s), accumulated preference points, and a Party Number. If any of the information is incorrect, the sales clerk must cancel the Drawing Receipt document and 're-sell' the application with the correct information.

License agents have only four hours to cancel a sale. If the transaction has exceeded the four hour limit when the discrepancy is found, the applicant must contact CDFW's License and Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at LRB@wildlife.ca.gov.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
1ST DEER TAG DRAW APPLICATION
Receipt

GD ID: 10M132786
STATE ID: H222*** CA
JIM HUNTER
123 HUNTING AVE
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SEX: M HAIR: Blond EYES: Blue
HT: 6-00 WT: 200 DOB: 01/01/1985
Resident: (Those resident in California continuously for the past 5 months)

Draw Fee: \$10.00 (100%) Date Recd: 10/01/2017
Trans: 0000001 (100%) Date Recd: 10/01/2017 6:38:04 PM

Customer does not have preference points for this species
Species: **PREF. POINTS** **WILDLIFE** **Fee**
Date: **10/01/2017** **10/01/2017** **10/01/2017**
for Deer Drawing Application (Hunt)

Party Number: 1000000
Party Leader Name: HUNTER, JIM

Choices:
1st Choice - 1000000 (100%) - DEER
2nd Choice - 0 - 0 (0%)
3rd Choice - 0 - 0 (0%)

Total: \$36.50

*Include any applicable application fees, agent handling fees, and license buyer surcharge.

If you would like for other hunters to enter the deer drawing as part of your party, please provide them the "Party Number" from this receipt online since the hunt process. Party members will need to provide the Party Number at the time of application for the party.

Deer Tag Drawing Application fees are non-refundable once the application has been entered into the Big Game Drawing (See 708.2, Title 14, CCR).

Detailed drawing information can be found at: www.wildlife.ca.gov/conservation/hunting/Big-Game. For questions regarding your application, date of preference points, please contact CDFW at 1-800-950-6868.

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You must have proof of hunter education on file to purchase hunting items online. If you do not have hunter education on file, you must provide proof of hunter education to a license agent or a CDFW license sales office. You may also contact CDFW by fax at (916) 419-7587 or e-mail LRB@wildlife.ca.gov and provide proof of hunter education and GO ID, or your personal identification number. After your hunter education is updated in ALDS, you will be able to purchase hunting licenses now and in the future.

How to Apply Online

- (1) Using your last name, date of birth, and ID number (GO ID, CDL, or other ID used to create profile) log in to your profile www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales and click on the "Purchase Licenses" link at the top of the page.
- (2) From the Menu box on the left side of the screen, select 2018 Hunting.
- (3) Add the 2018 hunting license to your cart.
- (4) Scroll down to the Drawings section. In the Drawings section,
 - Click on "Add to Cart" to select the desired Drawing Application.
 - Note: Adult hunters MUST use a First Deer Tag Drawing Application when applying for deer in the Big Game Drawing. The item 'First Deer Tag' (in the TAGS section) cannot be used to apply for the Big Game Drawing for deer.
 - If you are joining an existing hunting party, select "Join Party". You will need the Party Number of the party you wish to join. See page 14 for more information on applying as a party.
 - If you are applying alone, or if you are the first person in your party to apply, select "Apply Alone or Create New Party."
 - Enter your hunt choices in the boxes provided.
 - Click "Submit" to complete hunt choice entry.
- (5) Repeat step 4, for each species for which you are applying.
- (6) Add any other items you wish to purchase to the cart.
- (7) Select "View Cart" to review the items you've selected and confirm your tag choices.
- (8) Click on "Continue to Checkout" to start the checkout process and enter your payment information. Enter your email address if you want confirmation of your purchase emailed to you.
- (9) Check the box to certify that you are 18 years of age and authorize the purchase. The transaction will not be processed if this box is not checked, which means you will not be entered in the Big Game Drawing.

- (10) Select "Complete Transaction." The "Transaction Complete" page will appear, stating that your order has been received and processed. Click on "Download Receipt/Licenses" so you may print your drawing receipts for your record.

DRAWING RESULTS

CDFW has 10 business days after the deadline to conduct the drawing. Applicants may look up their drawing results on or around June 19, 2018 by entering their customer information on CDFW's website at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales and click on 'View My Draw Application/Preference Points' at the top of the page. Applicants will also see their new preference point totals by clicking on the tab 'Preference Point.' On the same day, drawing results will be available by phone during regular business hours from CDFW license sales offices.

NOTIFYING APPLICANTS

Deer tags awarded through the Big Game Drawing will be mailed to successful applicants as soon as possible after the drawing. If you do not receive your tag by July 2, 2018, please contact your nearest CDFW license sales office.

Unsuccessful deer tag applicants will also be mailed unsuccessful deer tag notices by July 2, 2018. Notices will list available deer tags as of the notice date. It is not necessary to have the drawing notice to claim an available tag; hunters may go to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales to claim available deer tags. Hunters may use their California hunting license to retrieve their customer record.

Unsuccessful nonresidents may request a refund of the difference between the fees paid for a nonresident and a resident Deer Tag Drawing Application, if the application was submitted and a deer tag was not issued or if a nonresident tag is issued, and all of the following conditions are met:

1. The deer license tag is not a premium tag.
2. The deer license tag is returned prior to the earliest opening date for the hunt.
3. The tag quota has not been filled for the hunt.

Refund requests shall be submitted on or before March 1, each year, to CDFW's License and Revenue Branch, 1740 N. Market Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834. If the deadline to submit the request for refund falls on a weekend or holiday, requests will be accepted until the close of business on the first state business day following the deadline to submit the request.

Successful elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep applicants and alternates should receive their payment notices in the mail by July 2, 2018; unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

It is not necessary to have the successful tag letter to claim your tag; hunters may go to any CDFW license sales office or online to purchase your elk or pronghorn tag.

HOW THE DRAWINGS WORK

Under a Modified Preference Point System drawing, tag quotas for each hunt are split into two portions: one portion awarded by preference point drawings; the other portion awarded in Draw-By-Choice drawings. Quota splits vary, depending on the species, total number of available tags, and other special criteria (such as those for Apprentice Hunts, elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep).

CDFW will conduct the drawing within 10 business days of the application deadline.

After the application deadline, when all applicant information has been verified, the computer will:

- Assign each person (or party) a unique random number. Party members receive the same random number as the party leader.
- Determine the preference point value for party applications by averaging all party members' preference points (total preference points of the party divided by the number of party members). Preference point averages are not rounded up or down (CCR T14-708.14(e)).

Steps in the Premium Deer Tag Drawing:

- Sort all applications according to the first choice tag, then preference point totals, and then random number.
- Award tag choices to applicants with the most preference points, in random number order only (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number). Tags are awarded until the preference quota is met.
- After the preference point round is completed, unsuccessful applicants are resorted by hunt choice and random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and the computer begins awarding tags based on applicant's first-choice preference points, until all draw-by-choice tag quotas fill or until all applicants have been processed.
- All remaining unsuccessful applicants are then sorted by second choice tag, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number) and the computer conducts a second round of drawings for any zones and hunts with tags remaining without consideration of accumulated preference points.
- All remaining unsuccessful applicants are sorted once again by third choice tag, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and any remaining tags are awarded without consideration of accumulated points.
- Applicants unsuccessful for any of their hunt choices will be notified of available tags so they may reapply.

Deer tag party applications are not split to meet the tag quota if the number of party members exceeds the number of available tags (CCR T14-708.15(a)(2)). Therefore, when there are fewer tags

available than the number of members in a party, the computer bypasses that application and moves on to the next application where party count is equal to or less than the remaining quota.

Steps in the Elk, Pronghorn and Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawings:

The draw-by-choice round of the drawing is conducted first then the preference point round.

Alternates are selected in the preference point round and parties may be split when awarding the final tag. The party leader will be awarded the tag and the party member will become the first alternate for that hunt. Applicants drawn as alternates will be awarded unclaimed tags on an individual basis, in the order drawn.

TAG QUOTA SPLITS

Quota splits are established in regulations adopted by the Fish and Game Commission based on CDFW science-based proposals and public input. Please check the Commission's web site at www.fgc.ca.gov for information on how to become involved in the regulation-setting process.

Premium Deer Hunt Tags

- Ninety percent (90%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing.

- Ten percent (10%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.
- For zones or hunts with quotas less than ten (10) tags, one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.

Apprentice Deer Hunt Tags

- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Preference Point drawing.
- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Draw-By-Choice drawing.

Elk, Pronghorn and Bighorn Sheep Tags

- For quotas of one (1), the tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of two (2), one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of three (3), two (2) tags shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of four (4) or more, seventy-five percent (75%) of the quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing. The remaining portion of the quota shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.

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- Any resident or nonresident who will be age 12 or older as of July 1, 2018 may apply for the deer, pronghorn and elk tag.
- Any resident or nonresident who will be age 16 or older as of July 1, 2018 may apply for the bighorn sheep tag.

- No limit on the number of applications you can submit.
- Does not use or affect your preference points.
- Winners are awarded a tag at no additional cost.
- A hunting license is not required to apply, but must be purchased if drawn.
- Apply from April 15, 2018 through June 2, 2018 at license agents, CDFW license sales offices, online at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales or by telephone at (800) 565-1458.
- Tags are awarded by random lottery which is run within 10 business days of the deadline. Winners are notified by phone.

OPEN ZONE DEER TAG

An Open Zone Deer Tag allows the hunter to hunt during the authorized season dates of any hunt, using the specific method and meeting any special conditions of the tag for that hunt.

NORTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA PRONGHORN TAG

The Fund-raising Random Drawing Pronghorn Tag allows the hunter to hunt in any of the northeastern pronghorn zones, (Mount Dome, Clear Lake, Likely Tables, Lassen, Big Valley

and Surprise Valley) with any legal method. The hunt dates are from July 28, 2018 to September 16, 2018.

MARBLE/CLIPPER AND SOUTH BRISTOL MOUNTAINS DESERT BIGHORN SHEEP TAG

This fund-raising tag is valid only in the Marble/Clipper and South Bristol Mountains hunt zones. Season dates are from November 3, 2018 through February 3, 2019. If awarded the tag, the hunter must attend a mandatory orientation to receive the tag.

MULTIPLE ZONE ELK TAG

This tag is valid in the Siskiyou and Marble Mountain elk zones from September 1 to 19, 2018, in the Northwestern elk zone from August 29, 2018 to September 27, 2018 in the Northeastern elk zone from August 22, 2018 to September 23, 2018 and in the La Panza elk zone from October 6, 2018 to December 9, 2018 with any legal method. Only one elk may be harvested.

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2017 PRELIMINARY DEER HARVEST BY ANTLER CLASS

The following table shows the percentage by antler class of forked-horn or better bucks and total reported buck harvest for zones and hunts as of February 9, 2018 (a).

2017 PRELIMINARY DEER HARVEST BY ANTLER CLASS

ZONE/HUNT	2 POINT BUCKS (%)	3 POINT BUCKS (%)	4 POINT BUCKS (%)	5 POINT OR GREATER BUCKS (%)	TOTAL REPORTED BUCK HARVEST	ZONE/HUNT	2 POINT BUCKS (%)	3 POINT BUCKS (%)	4 POINT BUCKS (%)	5 POINT OR GREATER BUCKS (%)	TOTAL REPORTED BUCK HARVEST
Archery Only Tags (b)	55.2	27.1	14.2	3.3	583	Zone D9	58.2	24.7	12.1	4.4	182
A Zone (South-110)	64.3	28.2	6.3	1.1	2,319	Zone D10	60.0	21.0	12.0	7.0	100
A Zone (North-160)	54.2	32.8	11.5	1.4	2,475	Zone D11	78.2	16.4	4.3	1.1	371
Zone B1	42.1	36.5	19.0	2.4	1,542	Zone D12	26.0	40.6	30.2	3.1	96
Zone B2	50.9	30.8	15.4	2.9	1,519	Zone D13	74.7	17.9	7.4	0.0	257
Zone B3	59.6	29.8	9.6	1.0	302	Zone D14	49.9	31.9	15.4	2.8	357
Zone B4	41.2	39.4	18.8	0.6	165	Zone D15	68.8	21.9	0.0	9.4	32
Zone B5	48.4	35.0	13.6	2.9	411	Zone D16	58.1	32.3	8.6	1.1	279
Zone B6	41.3	30.6	24.8	3.3	612	Zone D17	33.8	35.0	20.4	10.8	157
Zone C1	34.8	35.8	22.4	7.0	201	Zone D19	67.2	28.1	4.7	0.0	128
Zone C2	46.9	31.6	17.9	3.6	196	Zone X1	32.9	31.4	29.0	6.7	283
Zone C3	36.3	42.7	17.3	3.7	347	Zone X2	8.8	33.3	50.9	7.0	114
Zone C4	48.7	33.0	15.7	2.7	824	Zone X3a	30.4	36.3	25.0	8.3	168
Zone D3	53.4	31.8	12.2	2.6	1,248	Zone X3b	35.8	34.2	27.2	2.9	243
Zone D4	44.7	33.6	17.3	4.4	387	Zone X4	33.0	33.9	27.6	5.4	221
Zone D5	47.2	33.0	16.4	3.3	1,137	Zone X5a	43.3	20.0	26.7	10.0	30
Zone D6	53.8	33.4	10.6	2.2	548	Zone X5b	11.1	27.8	50.0	11.1	36
Zone D7	56.0	27.8	13.0	3.2	400	Zone X6a	25.8	30.9	36.0	7.3	178
Zone D8	59.0	23.6	15.2	2.2	356	Zone X6b	23.8	39.7	31.0	5.6	126
						Zone X7a	25.3	39.2	25.3	10.1	79
						Zone X7b	40.4	30.8	25.0	3.8	52



2017 PRELIMINARY DEER HARVEST BY ANTLER CLASS (CONT.)

ZONE/HUNT	2 POINT BUCKS (%)	3 POINT BUCKS (%)	4 POINT BUCKS (%)	5 POINT OR GREATER BUCKS (%)	TOTAL REPORTED BUCK HARVEST
Zone X8	33.3	24.2	37.9	4.5	66
Zone X9a	35.8	40.9	20.4	2.9	137
Zone X9b	32.9	46.1	15.8	5.3	76
Zone X9c	35.8	31.7	25.0	7.5	120
Zone X10	50.0	34.8	13.0	2.2	46
Zone X12	42.4	40.3	15.8	1.4	139
Hunt A1 (C1)	55.2	20.7	24.1	0.0	29
Hunt A1 (C2)	57.1	28.6	14.3	0.0	21
Hunt A1 (C3)	47.5	25.0	22.5	5.0	40
Hunt A1 (C4)	57.0	27.8	11.9	3.3	151
Hunt A3	40.6	25.0	28.1	6.2	32
Hunt A4	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	2
Hunt A5	36.4	36.4	27.3	0.0	11
Hunt A6	52.9	41.2	5.9	0.0	17
Hunt A7	29.5	40.9	22.7	6.8	44
Hunt A8	No Reported Antlered Buck Harvest				0
Hunt A9	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
Hunt A11	24.0	44.0	20.0	12.0	25
Hunt A12	42.9	40.0	14.3	2.9	35
Hunt A13	37.5	50.0	12.5	0.0	8
Hunt A14	20.0	40.0	40.0	0.0	5
Hunt A15	60.0	0.0	40.0	0.0	5
Hunt A16	33.3	41.7	25.0	0.0	12
Hunt A17	38.1	57.1	4.8	0.0	21
Hunt A18	33.3	55.6	11.1	0.0	9
Hunt A19	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
Hunt A20	23.5	52.9	23.5	0.0	17
Hunt A21	0.0	33.3	66.7	0.0	3
Hunt A22	38.1	19.0	14.3	4.8	21
Hunt A24	87.5	12.5	0.0	0.0	8
Hunt A25	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	4
Hunt A26	0.0	19.0	57.1	23.8	21
Hunt A27	0.0	0.0	75.0	25.0	4
Hunt A30	30.8	53.8	15.4	0.0	13
Hunt A31	60.9	17.4	8.7	0.0	23
Hunt A32	42.9	14.3	42.9	0.0	7
Hunt A33	85.7	14.3	0.0	0.0	7
Hunt G1	34.8	39.6	22.4	3.3	702
Hunt G3	0.0	21.7	43.5	34.8	23
Hunt G6	25.0	42.9	25.0	7.1	28
Hunt G7	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2
Hunt G8	No Reported Antlered Buck Harvest				0
Hunt G9	No Hunt Held in 2017				
Hunt G10	50.0	32.1	7.1	0.0	28
Hunt G11	68.2	9.1	9.1	0.0	22
Hunt G12	66.7	0.0	33.3	0.0	3
Hunt G13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
Hunt G19	33.3	33.3	16.7	16.7	6
Hunt G21	57.1	14.3	28.6	0.0	7
Hunt G37	36.8	5.3	52.6	5.3	19
Hunt G38	25.0	37.5	33.3	4.2	24
Hunt G39	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	1
Hunt J1	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	2
Hunt J3	0.0	27.3	63.6	9.1	11
Hunt J4	40.0	40.0	20.0	0.0	10
Hunt J8	25.0	25.0	50.0	0.0	4
Hunt J9	33.3	33.3	33.3	0.0	3
Hunt J10	57.1	28.6	0.0	0.0	14
Hunt J11	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	4
Hunt J12	0.0	0.0	33.3	66.7	3
Hunt J13	75.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4
Hunt J14	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2
Hunt J15	0.0	16.7	50.0	33.3	6
Hunt J16	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	2
Hunt J17	No Reported Antlered Buck Harvest				0
Hunt J18	66.7	33.3	0.0	0.0	3
Hunt J19	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	6
Hunt J20	62.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	8
Hunt J21	57.1	42.9	0.0	0.0	14
Hunt M3	13.3	33.3	33.3	20.0	15
Hunt M4	16.7	50.0	33.3	0.0	6
Hunt M5	0.0	40.0	40.0	20.0	5
Hunt M6	66.7	33.3	0.0	0.0	3
Hunt M7	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
Hunt M8	27.3	45.5	27.3	0.0	11
Hunt M9	0.0	15.4	38.5	46.2	13
Hunt M11	0.0	71.4	14.3	14.3	7
Hunt MA1	42.9	28.6	0.0	0.0	7
Hunt MA3	70.0	20.0	10.0	0.0	10
Fund-raising Tags (b)	0.0	0.0	42.9	57.1	7
Statewide Total:	49.5	31.9	15.6	3.0	21,289

(a) Table does not include percentages for antlerless, unclassified or spike bucks. Percentages may not total 100%.

(b) Archery Only and Fund-raising Tags are listed separately and are not included within the individual zone or hunt.

HUNT CODE	TOTAL QUOTA	PREFERENCE DRAWING							RANDOM (DRAW BY CHOICE) DRAWING			
		PREFERENCE POINT QUOTA	RANDOM QUOTA QUANTITY	TOTAL 1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	1ST CHOICE MAX POINT (15) APPLICANTS	TOTAL TAGS AWARDED BY PREFERENCE DRAWING	HIGHEST POINT VALUE AWARDED TAG	LOWEST POINT VALUE AWARDED TAG	TAGS AWARDED BY RANDOM DRAWING	RANDOM TAGS AWARDED TO 1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	RANDOM TAGS AWARDED TO 2ND CHOICE APPLICANTS	RANDOM TAGS AWARDED TO 3RD CHOICE APPLICANTS
PD	0	0	0	9551	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZONE HUNTS												
C	8150	7335	815	6687	0	6687	12	0	1463	0	1463	0
D6	10000	9000	1000	2298	1	2298	15	0	6549	0	5483	1066
D9	2000	1800	200	696	0	696	11	0	1304	0	888	416
D12	950	855	95	1291	0	855	10	0	95	95	0	0
D17	500	450	50	1116	0	450	8	0	50	50	0	0
X1	760	684	76	3531	0	684	14	2	76	76	0	0
X2	189	171	18	2109	0	171	11	7	18	18	0	0
X3A	354	319	35	1720	0	319	13	4	35	35	0	0
X3B	794	715	79	3358	0	715	12	3	79	79	0	0
X4	479	432	47	2061	0	432	13	2	47	47	0	0
X5A	75	68	7	588	0	68	11	7	7	7	0	0
X5B	50	45	5	2812	11	45	15	13	5	5	0	0
X6A	329	297	32	2521	1	297	15	4	32	32	0	0
X6B	309	279	30	1675	0	279	14	3.333	30	30	0	0
X7A	229	207	22	2106	0	207	12.5	4	22	22	0	0
X7B	134	121	13	990	0	121	11	4	13	13	0	0
X8	210	189	21	973	0	189	6	2	21	21	0	0
X9A	269	243	26	4229	0	243	12	4	26	26	0	0
X9B	230	207	23	1000	0	207	11	2	23	23	0	0
X9C	325	293	32	790	2	293	15	1	32	32	0	0
X10	400	360	40	497	0	360	7	0	40	40	0	0
X12	349	315	34	4888	0	315	12	4.8	34	34	0	0
ADDITIONAL HUNTS												
G1	2710	2439	271	3636	0	2439	11	0	271	271	0	0
G3	25	23	2	4142	374	23	15	15	2	2	0	0
G6	50	45	5	1142	1	45	15	11	5	5	0	0
G8	10	9	1	162	0	9	10	5	1	1	0	0
G12	30	27	3	118	0	27	6	2	3	3	0	0
G13	300	270	30	742	0	270	3	1	30	30	0	0
G19	25	23	2	317	0	23	12	4	2	2	0	0
G21	25	23	2	87	0	23	5	2	2	2	0	0
G37	25	23	2	2578	80	23	15	15	2	2	0	0
G38	300	270	30	368	0	270	14	0	30	30	0	0
G39	2	1	1	1042	87	1	15	15	1	1	0	0

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APPRENTICE HUNTS												
J1	25	13	12	88	0	13	3	2	12	12	0	0
J3	15	8	7	451	0	8	5	5	7	7	0	0
J4	15	8	7	347	0	8	5	5	7	7	0	0
J8	15	8	7	124	0	8	5	3	7	7	0	0
J9	5	3	2	27	0	3	3	2	2	2	0	0
J10	60	30	30	285	0	30	5	3	30	30	0	0
J11	40	20	20	130	0	20	3	1	20	20	0	0
J12	3	2	1	1000	0	2	5	5	1	1	0	0
J13	40	20	20	94	0	20	3	1	20	20	0	0
J14	30	15	15	72	0	15	2	1	15	15	0	0
J15	10	5	5	578	0	5	5	5	5	5	0	0
J16	75	38	37	120	0	38	4	1	37	37	0	0
J17	25	13	12	47	0	13	2	1	12	12	0	0
J18	75	38	37	144	0	38	3	1	37	37	0	0
J19	25	13	12	265	0	13	5	4	12	12	0	0
J20	20	10	10	129	0	10	4	3	10	10	0	0
J21	50	25	25	260	0	25	5	2	25	25	0	0
MUZZLELOADER HUNTS												
M3	20	18	2	752	55	18	15	15	2	2	0	0
M4	10	9	1	65	0	9	9	7	1	1	0	0
M5	5	4	1	106	0	4	14	14	1	1	0	0
M6	80	72	8	103	0	72	4	0	8	8	0	0
M7	150	135	15	196	0	135	11	0	15	15	0	0
M8	20	18	2	123	0	18	9	5	2	2	0	0
M9	15	14	1	814	59	14	15	15	1	1	0	0
M11	20	18	2	629	2	18	15	13	2	2	0	0
MA1	150	135	15	138	0	135	10.5	0	15	3	12	0
MA3	150	135	15	114	0	114	3	0	36	0	36	0

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AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS												
A1	1945	1751	194	677	0	677	11	0	1268	0	1268	0
A3	100	90	10	341	0	90	4	1	10	10	0	0
A4	10	9	1	84	0	9	8	4	1	1	0	0
A5	40	36	4	114	0	36	7	2	4	4	0	0
A6	70	63	7	187	0	63	5	1	7	7	0	0
A7	120	108	12	350	0	108	3	1	12	12	0	0
A8	10	9	1	22	0	9	5	3	1	1	0	0
A9	5	4	1	77	0	4	8	8	1	1	0	0
A11	50	45	5	452	0	45	9	5	5	5	0	0
A12	90	81	9	365	0	81	12	2.333	9	9	0	0
A13	45	41	4	194	0	41	5	2.333	4	4	0	0
A14	25	23	2	165	0	23	14	4	2	2	0	0
A15	40	36	4	52	0	36	3	0	4	4	0	0
A16	30	27	3	420	0	27	4	3	3	3	0	0
A17	210	189	21	56	0	56	3	0	154	0	154	0
A20	40	36	4	365	0	36	7	3	4	4	0	0
A21	25	23	2	197	0	23	12	6	2	2	0	0
A24	100	90	10	184	0	90	3	1	10	10	0	0
A25	35	32	3	160	0	32	4	2	3	3	0	0
A26	30	27	3	579	0	27	13	11	3	3	0	0
A27	10	9	1	227	3	9	15	12	1	1	0	0
A30	40	36	4	294	0	36	11	5	4	4	0	0
A31	1000	900	100	512	0	512	7	0	488	0	486	2
A33	25	23	2	116	0	23	5	1	2	2	0	0





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2018 BIG GAME DRAWING WORKSHEET FOR APPLYING AT A LICENSE AGENT

DO NOT MAIL OR FAX WORKSHEET TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

This worksheet is to assist the sales clerk in entering your hunt choices. Select your hunt choices prior to visiting a license agent. All sales transactions for the Big Game Drawing must be completed before midnight on June 2, 2018. You may apply at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458. **Mailed or faxed worksheets will not be accepted at a CDFW office.**

NAME _____

GO ID _____

BIG GAME DRAWING

Enter party leader's party identification number below only if you are joining an existing party.

First-Deer Tag Drawing Application:

To enter the Big Game Drawing for a premium deer hunt tag or preference point only

Party Leader's

Party Identification Number _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application:

Use only for junior hunters applying for Apprentice Deer Hunts, who did not apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts on their First-Deer Tag Application

Party Leader's

Party Identification Number _____

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Elk Tag Drawing Application:

Party Leader's

Party Identification Number _____

Hunt Choice

Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application:

Party Leader's

Party Identification Number _____

Hunt Choice

Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawing Application:

Party not allowed

Hunt Choice

FUND-RAISING RANDOM DRAWING TAGS (no hunting license is required to apply- preference points do not apply - no limit on number of applications – winners will be awarded a tag at no additional cost)

Open Zone Deer Tag

Number of applications _____

Northeastern California Pronghorn Tag

Number of applications _____

Multi-Zone Bull Elk Tag

Number of applications _____

Marble/Clipper and South Bristol Mountains Bighorn Sheep Tag

Number of applications _____

VERIFY THAT YOUR HUNT CHOICES ARE CORRECT ON YOUR DRAWING RECEIPT BEFORE LEAVING THE LICENSE AGENT. NOTE: Do not leave this worksheet with the sales clerk.

2018 DEER HUNTS

PREMIUM DEER ZONES AND HUNTS

Applications for premium deer hunt tags awarded through the Big Game Drawing must be submitted to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or telephone sales before midnight on June 2, 2018. You must use your First-Deer Tag Drawing Application to apply for a premium deer hunt tag. Exception: junior hunters may use a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application to apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts, but only one application may be used to apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts.

♦ – Tag quota filled in the 2017 Big Game Drawing conducted on June 11, 2017.

PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
PD	Preference Point Only - Deer	To earn a preference point, applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2018				

GENERAL ZONES

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
C	General Season Buck in Zones C1-C4	24	8,150	♦	Hunt A1	See C Zone Below
	C1				See Hunt A1	Sep 15-Oct 14
	C2				See Hunt A1	Sep 15-Oct 21
	C3				See Hunt A1	Sep 15-Oct 21
	C4				See Hunt A1	Sep 15-30
D9	Zone D9 Archery And General Seasons Buck	11	2,000	♦	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 22-Oct 21
D12	Zone D12 Archery And General Seasons Buck	14	950	♦	Oct 6-28	Nov 3-25
D17	Zone D17 Archery And General Seasons Buck	39	500	♦	Sep 1-23	Oct 13-Nov 4

C Tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3 and C4 General Seasons only.

C1 Large areas of private land where access is restricted. Some private land owned by timber companies is open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131; fair access.

CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

C2 Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

C3 Good access in middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151, and fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

C4 Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to public. CDFW contact (530) 225-2300.

D9 Good access on public land. (559) 243-4005.

D12 Extremely dry and hot desert deer zone. Wilderness areas severely restrict vehicle access; 4 X 4 recommended for entire zone

D17 Wilderness Area and Mojave National Preserve restrict vehicle access. (909) 484-0167.

X ZONES

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
X1	Zone X1 General Season Buck	45	760	◆	See Hunt A-3	Oct 6-21
X2	Zone X2 General Season Buck	65	189	◆	See Hunt A-4	Oct 6-21
X3a	Zone X3a General Season Buck	53	354	◆	See Hunt A-5	Oct 6-21
X3b	Zone X3b General Season Buck	37	794	◆	See Hunt A-6	Oct 6-21
X4	Zone X4 General Season Buck	53	479	◆	See Hunt A-7	Oct 6-21
X5a	Zone X5a General Season Buck	47	75	◆	See Hunt A-8	Oct 6-21
X5b	Zone X5b General Season Buck	82	50	◆	See Hunt A-9	Oct 6-21
X6a	Zone X6a General Season Buck	61	329	◆	See Hunt A-11	Oct 6-21
X6b	Zone X6b General Season Buck	49	309	◆	See Hunt A-12	Oct 6-21
X7a	Zone X7a General Season Buck	40	229	◆	See Hunt A-13	Oct 6-21
X7b	Zone X7b General Season Buck	43	134	◆	See Hunt A-14	Oct 6-21
X8	Zone X8 General Season Buck	36	210	◆	See Hunt A-15	Sep 22-Oct 7
X9a	Zone X9a General Season Buck	59	269	◆	See Hunt A-16	Sep 15-Oct 8
X9b	Zone X9b General Season Buck	38	230	◆	See Hunt A-17	Sep 15-Oct 8
X9c	Zone X9c General Season Buck	44	325	◆	See Hunt A-18	Oct 20-Nov 11
X10	Zone X10 General Season Buck	14	400	◆	See Hunt A-19	Sep 29-Oct 14
X12	Zone X12 General Season Buck	44	349	◆	See Hunt A-20	Sep 15-Oct 8

X1 Good access on public lands administered by the Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Refer to National Forest maps or contact the Forest Service for details. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

X2 Good access on public lands administered by the Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Refer to National Forest maps or contact the Forest Service for details. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

X3a Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands (530) 233-4666. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

X3b Good access to public land. Contact the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office (530) 233-4666, or Surprise Field Office BLM property (530) 279-6101 for information. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

X4 Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

X5a Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. Four-wheel drive is needed on some roads.

X5b Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. Four-wheel drive is needed on some roads.

X6a CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

X6b Good access on public lands. CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

X7a Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

X7b Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

X8 Good access on public lands except two wilderness areas (916) 358-2900.

X9a Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

X9b Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

X9c Wilderness areas/Death Valley Park expansion restrict vehicle access and open hunting areas (760) 872-1171.

X10 Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain. (559) 243-4005.

X12 Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

GENERAL METHOD HUNTS

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
G1	Late Season Buck in zone C4	31	2,710	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 4
G3	Goodale Buck	100	25	◆	N/A	Dec 1-16
G6	Kern River Deer Herd Buck	61	50	◆	N/A	Dec 1-9
G8	Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless	74	10	◆	N/A	Oct 6-8,13-14
G9	Camp Roberts Antlerless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2018 hunt cancelled due to base operations
G12	Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-sex	33	30	◆	N/A	Sep 15-23
G13	San Diego Antlerless	22	300	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 18
G19	Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Areas Either-sex	40	25	◆	N/A	Sep 22-Dec 31
G21	Ventana Wilderness Buck	33	25	◆	N/A	Nov 10-Dec 2
G37	Anderson Flat Buck	79	25	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 2
G38	Late season Buck in zone X10	9	300	◆	N/A	Oct 20-Nov 4
G39	Round Valley Late Season Buck	100	2	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 11

G1 Late season tag, valid in C4 only. Instructions for how to apply for the G1 Tehama Wildlife Area Access Permit can be found at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Deer#54774-zones--hunts CDFW contact 530-597-2201.

G3 Good public access; unpredictable weather (760) 872-1171.

G6 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

G8 Access fee required; date subject to change (831) 386-2214.

G9 2018 Hunt cancelled due to base operations.

G12 Gray Lodge Wildlife Area only; shotguns with solid slugs only (916) 358-2900.

G13 Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.

G19 Archery-crossbow-shotguns with solid slugs only; all portions walk-in only (916) 358-2900.

G21 Open only on lands designated USFS Ventana Wilderness Area in Monterey County; steep, rugged, brushy; vehicle restrictions (831) 649-2870.

G37 Good access on National Forest Service lands (559) 243-4005.

G38 Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.

G39 Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.

MUZZLELOADING HUNTS

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
M3	Doyle Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	75	20	◆	N/A	Nov 17-25
M4	Horse Lake Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	60	10	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 4
M5	East Lassen Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	100	5	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 4
M6	San Diego Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	7	80	◆	N/A	Dec 15-31
M7	Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	14	150	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 9
M8	Bass Hill Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	58	20	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 4
M9	Devil's Garden Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	93	15	◆	N/A	Oct 27-Nov 11
M11	Northwestern California Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	39	20	◆	N/A	Nov 10-25
MA1	San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Archery Either-sex	15	150	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 9
MA3	Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Archery Buck	8	150	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 9

M3 Good access on public lands. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

M4 Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

M5 Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

M6 Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.

M7 Good access; hunt on public lands (858) 467-4201.

M8 Mostly private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

M9 Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

M11 Contact CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493 or CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

MA1 Open only on that portion of San Luis Obispo County lying within the Los Padres National Forest. Good access on public lands; rugged terrain (831) 649-2870.

MA3 Fair access on public lands vehicle use limited (858) 467-4201.

APPRENTICE HUNTS

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
J1	Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-sex	22	25	◆	N/A	Nov 3-4
J3	Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck	73	15	◆	N/A	Nov 24-25
J4	Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck	71	15	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 2
J7	Carson River Apprentice Either-sex	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No hunt for 2018 season
J8	Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-sex	36	15	◆	N/A	Dec 1-31
J9	Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-sex	100	5	◆	N/A	Sep 15-23
J10	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-sex	58	15	◆	N/A	Oct 6-8 and 13-14
J11	San Bernardino Apprentice Either-sex	45	40	◆	N/A	Nov 17-25
J12	Round Valley Apprentice Buck	100	3	◆	N/A	Dec 1-16
J13	Los Angeles Apprentice Either-sex	33	40	◆	N/A	Nov 17-25
J14	Riverside Apprentice Either-sex	48	30	◆	N/A	Nov 17-25
J15	Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck	67	10	◆	N/A	Nov 24-Dec 2
J16	Bucks Mountain/Nevada City Apprentice Either-sex	51	75	◆	N/A	Sep 22-Oct 28
J17	Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-sex	22	25	◆	N/A	Sep 22-Oct 28
J18	Pacific/Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-sex	39	75	◆	N/A	Sep 22-Oct 28
J19	Zone X7A Apprentice Either-sex	50	25	◆	N/A	Oct 6-21
J20	Zone X7B Apprentice Either-sex	74	20	◆	N/A	Oct 6-21
J21	East Tehama Apprentice Either-sex	50	50	◆	N/A	Sep 15-Oct 28

J1 Rugged oak/grassland habitat with good deer numbers. Boats required in two-thirds of area. No dogs allowed (707) 944-5500.

J3 Hunt area is restricted to CDFW's Tehama Wildlife Area. CDFW contact (530) 529-7162.

J4 Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2300 and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

J7 No hunt proposed for 2018.

J8 Good access. Wildlife Area only (916) 358-2900.

J9 Good access. Wildlife Area only. Shotguns using slugs only (916) 358-2900.

J10 Season subject to change by Commanding Officer (831) 386-2214.

J11 Within D14 and San Bernardino County only. Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167.

J12 Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.

J13 Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200 for closure information (858) 467-4201.

J14 Within zone D19 and Riverside County only. Good access on public lands (909) 484-0167.

J15 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

J16 Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Butte, Colusa and Glenn counties.

J17 Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations. (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Colusa County.

J18 Good access on National Forest lands; mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties.

J19 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

J20 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

J21 Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Tehama Wildlife Area is not open to J21 hunters during the G1 season. CDFW contact (530) 529-7162.

FAILED TO REPORT 2017 DEER TAGS

Deer tag holders who failed to submit a harvest report for any 2017 deer tag by January 31, 2018, will be assessed a \$21.60 non-reporting fee when purchasing a deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the 2018 license year.

INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT

The Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) is an agreement between 26 states, which allows for the reciprocal recognition of hunting, fishing and trapping license suspensions. If your license privileges have been suspended by another state, the suspension may be recognized here in California. For example, if your sport fishing, hunting or trapping privileges have been suspended in Colorado for five years, your privileges may also be suspended for five years in California or any of the states participating in the IWVC. The purchase of licenses or tags during the term of the suspension is a violation of the law and may result in prosecution.

AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
A1	Archery Season Buck in Zones C1 - C4	15	1,945	◆	See Zone Below	N/A
	C1				Aug 18-Sep 2	N/A
	C2				Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
	C3				Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
	C4				Aug 18-Sep 2	N/A
A3	Archery Buck in zone X1	44	100	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A4	Archery Buck in zone X2	22	10	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A5	Archery Buck in zone X3a	35	40	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A6	Archery Buck in zone X3b	29	70	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A7	Archery Buck in zone X4	46	120	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A8	Archery Buck in zone X5a	0	10	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A9	Archery Buck in zone X5b	33	5	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A11	Archery Buck in zone X6a	53	50	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A12	Archery Buck in zone X6b	45	90	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A13	Archery Buck in zone X7a	21	45	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A14	Archery Buck in zone X7b	26	25	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A15	Archery Buck in zone X8	16	40	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A16	Archery Buck in zone X9a	40	30	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A17	Archery Buck in zone X9b	12	210	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A18	Archery Buck in zone X9c	3	350	6/14/2017	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A19	Archery Buck in zone X10	1	100	6/20/2017	Aug 18-Sep 2	N/A
A20	Archery Buck in zone X12	59	40	◆	Aug 18-Sep 9	N/A
A21	Anderson Flat Archery Buck	13	25	◆	Nov 10-23	N/A
A22	San Diego Archery Either-sex	6	1,000	6/15/2017	Sep 1-Oct 14 and Nov 17-Dec 31	N/A
A24	Monterey Archery Either-sex	23	100	◆	Oct 13-Nov 11	N/A
A25	Lake Sonoma Archery Either-sex	19	35	◆	Oct 6-29	N/A
A26	Bass Hill Archery Buck	75	30	◆	Nov 17-Dec 9	N/A
A27	Devils Garden Archery Buck	67	10	◆	Oct 27-Nov 11	N/A
A30	Covelo Archery Buck	37	40	◆	Nov 10-Nov 25	N/A
A31	Los Angeles Archery Either-sex	7	1,000	◆	Sep 22-Dec 31	N/A
A33	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-sex	36	25	◆	Oct 6-Nov 12	N/A

A1 tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3 and C4 during the Archery Season only.

A1-C1 Fair access. Much private land, some owned by timber companies and open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest; (530) 842-6131. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

A1-C2 Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. CDFW contact (530) 225-2300.

A1-C3 and C4 Good access at middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forestland (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Sierra Pacific Industries property is restricted to walking only; no motorized vehicle access behind locked gates without Sierra Pacific Industries' prior written permission. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

A3 Good access on public lands administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity N.F. (530) 226-2500, Modoc N.F. (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Road management areas within zone - refer to national forest maps for detail. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

A4 Good access on public lands, primarily administered by Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

A5 Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands (530) 233-4666. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

A6 Good access to public land. Contact the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office BLM (530) 233-4666, or Surprise Field Office BLM lands (530) 279-6101 for more information. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

A7 Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

A8-A9 Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

A11 CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

A12 Good access to public lands. CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

A13 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

A14 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

A15 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

A16 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.

A17 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.

A18 Wilderness areas/Death Valley National Park restricts vehicle access and hunting areas (760) 872-1171.

A19 Adequate public land access; steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.

A20 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.

A21 Good public access on national forest lands (559) 243-4005.

A22 Split Season. Good access on public lands, rugged at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.

A24 Fair access on public land; steep terrain; possible fire closures on National Forest lands (831) 649-2870.

A25 Sat-Sun-Mon only; rugged terrain, oak/grassland and chaparral habitat with good deer numbers (707) 944-5500.

A26 Mostly private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

A27 Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

A30 Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, and Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493, CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

A31 Good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.

A33 Season subject to change by commanding officer. Access fee required (831) 386-2214.

RESTRICTED DEER HUNTS

The restricted deer hunt tag is issued upon request to hunters applying on a First Deer Tag. Hunters may apply for a restricted deer hunt tag as their Second Deer Tag if they do not have a pending first deer tag drawing application or do not have a premium or restricted deer tag issued as their first deer tag. Hunters who have a premium or restricted first deer tag will have to wait until August 2, 2018 at 8 a.m. to apply for restricted deer hunt tag as Second Deer Tag.

The restricted deer hunt tag will be available at CDFW license sales offices, license agents, online and telephone sales until tag quotas fill.

GENERAL DEER ZONES

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
B	General and Archery Buck in zones B1 - B6	17	35,000	7/17/2017	See B Zone below	See B Zone below
	B1				Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 21
	B2				Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 21
	B3				Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 21
	B4				Jul 28-Aug 19	Aug 25-Sep 30
	B5				Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 21
	B6				Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 14
D6	General and Archery Buck in zone D6	7	10,000	7/5/2017	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 28
D14	General and Archery Buck in zone D14	16	3,000	7/13/2017	Sep 1-23	Oct 13- Nov 11
D16	General and Archery Buck in zone D 16	12	3,000	8/2/2017	Sep 1-23	Oct 27-Nov 25

B Zone B Tag is valid in Zones B1 - B6

B1 Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721, Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493.

B2 Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 934- 3316, Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721, and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

B3 Good public access to Mendocino National Forest lands in western part of hunt area (530) 934-3316 CDFW Rancho Cordova office (916) 358-2900

B4 Largely private, limited public access on King Range Conservation area, administered by Arcata Field Office BLM (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493.

B5 In the western portion of the zone, public access is good on Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316 and Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

B6 Public access good in Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131. Foot-hills of Scott and Shasta valleys are largely private. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

D14 Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167.

D16 Good access on public lands; higher elevations rugged (858) 467- 4201.

AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
A32	Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex	7	250	7/17/2017	Nov 10-Dec 2	N/A

RESTRICTED DEER TAG OPTIONS

FIRST DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION	FIRST DEER TAG	SECOND DEER TAG
Available as 2nd choice or 3rd choice in the drawing application	Available any time until tag quota fills	Available any time if you do not have a pending deer tag drawing application, or if you have not been issued a premium or restricted first deer tag
		Available August 2 at 8 a.m. if you already have a premium or restricted deer tag as your first deer tag

UNRESTRICTED DEER HUNTS

Unrestricted deer hunt tags are issued upon request until tag quotas fill. You may use your First-Deer Tag and/or Second-Deer Tag to apply for unrestricted deer hunt tags.

✕ – Tag quota did not fill in 2017.

GENERAL DEER ZONES

HUNT CODE	HUNT TITLE	2017 ESTIMATED HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	DATE QUOTA FILLED	2018 ARCHERY SEASON DATES	2018 GENERAL SEASON DATES
AO	Archery-Only	10	N/A	✕	Valid during the archery and general seasons in the A, B and D Zones and Hunt G-10 using archery equipment only; NOT valid during any C or X Zone season or hunt.	
A	Archery and General Buck in zone A	24	65,000	✕	July 14-Aug 5	Aug 11-Sep 23
D3-5	Archery and General Buck in zones D3, D4, and D5	11	33,000	9/21/17	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 22-Oct 28
D7	Archery and General Buck in zone D7	6	9,000	8/9/17	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 15-Oct 28
D8	Archery and General Buck in zone D8	8	8,000	✕	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 22-Oct 21
D10	Archery and General Buck in zone D10	21	700	✕	Aug 18-Sep 9	Sep 22-Oct 21
D11	Archery and General Buck in zone D11	13	5,500	✕	Sep 1-23	Oct 13- Nov 11
D13	Archery and General Buck in zone D13	11	4,000	✕	Sep 1-23	Oct 13- Nov 11
D15	Archery and General Buck in zone D15	5	1,500	✕	Sep 1-23	Oct 13- Nov 11
D19	Archery and General Buck in zone D19	12	1,500	9/4/17	Sep 1-23	Oct 6-Nov 4

AO Archery only (AO) Tags are valid for archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in zones A, B, any D zone, hunt G10 (military personnel only).

A Mostly private land. Public access on BLM and National Forest lands. For specific information regarding these areas contact the local BLM field office or National Forest at: Ukiah BLM (707) 468-4000, Hollister BLM (831) 630-5000, or Bakersfield BLM, (661) 391-6000; Mendocino NF in Willows (530) 934-3316, or Los Padres NF in Goleta (805) 968-6640. For additional information contact the nearest Department Regional office.

D3-5 Tag is valid in Zones D3, D4 and D5. Good public access on National Forest lands, mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900.

D7 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

D8 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

D10 No public land available; hunting normally restricted to landowners and permittees (559) 243-4005.

D11 Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200 for closure information (858) 467-4201.

D13 Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands; portion of zone on private lands (858) 467-4201.

D15 Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands. Written permission is required to hunt on Santa Catalina Island which is private property (858) 467-4201.

D19 Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (909) 484-0167.

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Duane L., Grizzly Island



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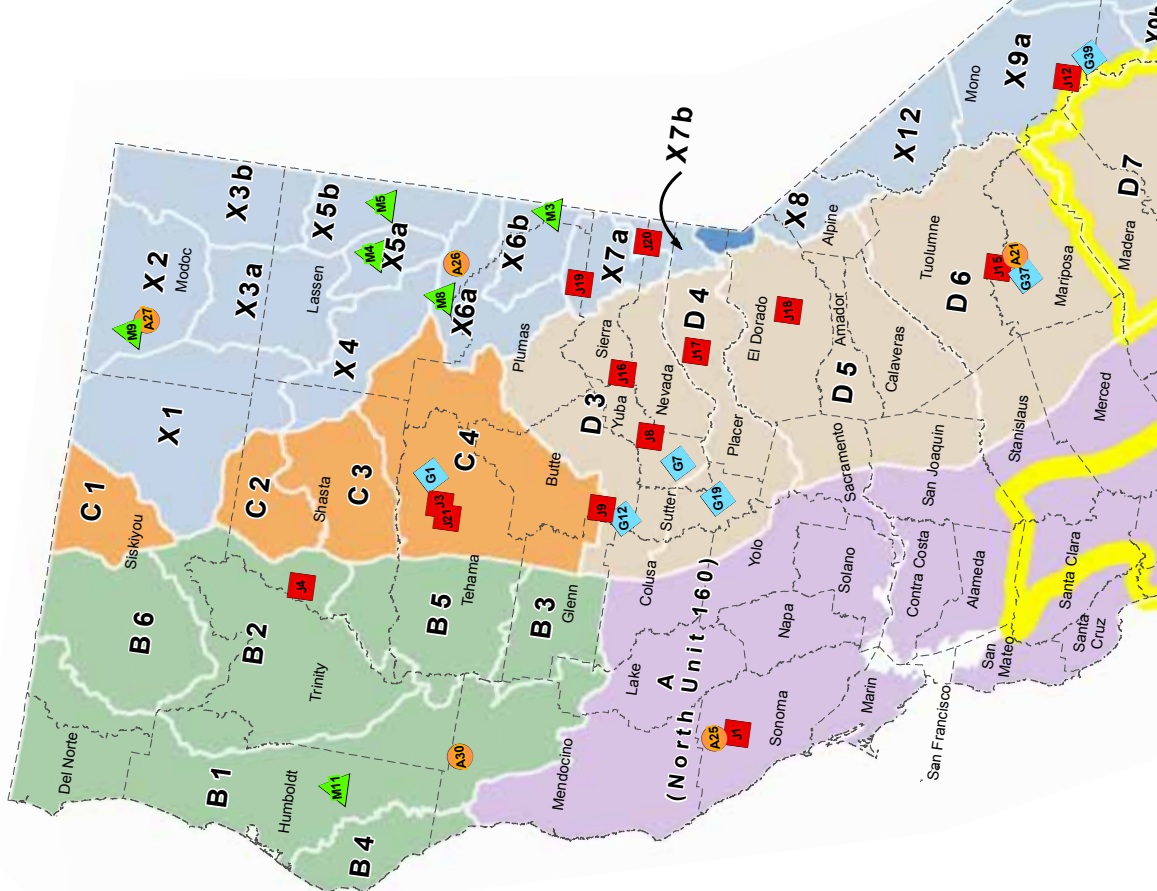
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2018 DEER ZONES AND ADDITIONAL HUNTS

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Archery

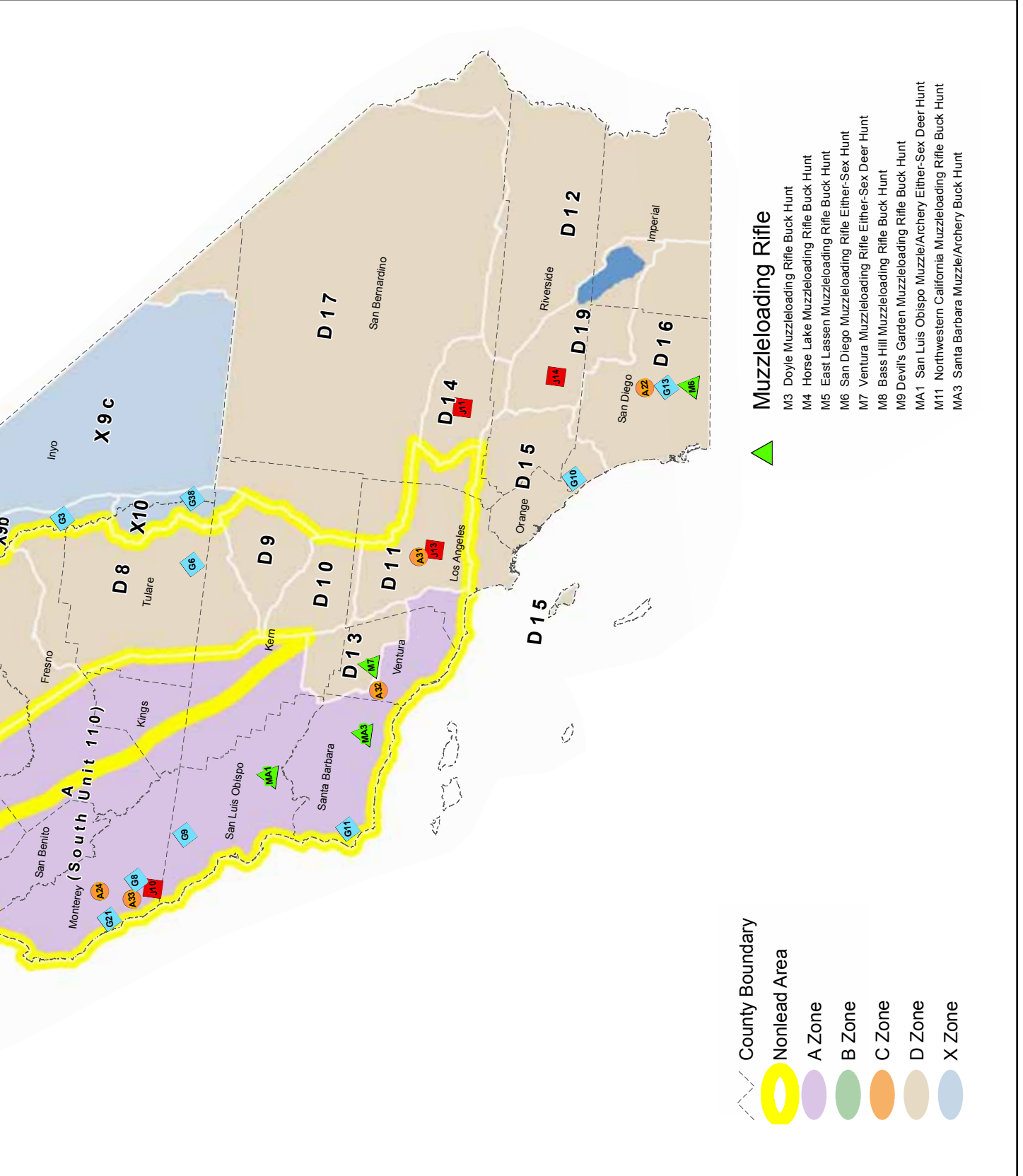
- A21 Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt
- A22 San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A24 Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A25 Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A26 Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt
- A27 Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt
- A30 Covelo Archery Buck Hunt
- A31 Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A32 Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A33 Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt

General

- G1 Late Season Buck Hunt for Zone C4
- G3 Goodale Buck Hunt
- G6 Kern River Deer Herd Buck Hunt
- G7 Beale Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G8 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G9 Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt (No Hunt in 2018)
- G10 Camp Pendleton Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G11 Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G12 Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- G13 San Diego Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G19 Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Area Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- G21 Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt
- G37 Anderson Flat Buck Hunt
- G38 Late Season Buck Hunt in Zone X10
- G39 Round Valley Late Season Buck Hunt

Apprentice

- J1 Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J3 Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J4 Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J8 Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J9 Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J10 Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J11 San Bernardino Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J12 Round Valley Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J13 Los Angeles Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J14 Riverside Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J15 Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J16 Bucks Mountain/Nevada City Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J17 Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J18 Pacific/Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J19 X7A Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J20 X7B Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J21 East Tehama Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt



Hunted, Harvested

18 DR
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
DEER TAG
See Regulations for Season Dates

GO ID: 10813723
STATE ID: J1723 CA
JANE HUNTER
129 JANIE E ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95834

SEX: F HAIR: Blonde EYES: Blue
HT: 5'45" WT: 130 DOB: 01/01/1995

Resident: (Check resident in California continuously for the past 6 months)

Out No: 04021779794
Trans: 0000001848268
01/01/19

Item: 18 Deer Tag, 18202012
Total: \$30.39

Includes any applicable applicable fees, agent handling fees and license fee exchange

Deer Tag Fees and Regulations: (Check one)
☒ **A** ZONE A ARCHERY AND GENERAL SEASONS - BUCK
 LEAD ARROW REGULATIONS - SEE REGULATIONS FOR APPLICABLE CONCORD AND AERIAL ZONES

TAQ MUST BE IN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION WHILE HUNTING

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL HUNTING
 1.1 Upon the harvesting of any deer, the hunter must immediately fill out all information requested on the harvest report card and tag and submit the information to the Department of Fish and Wildlife within 14 days of the kill.

1.2 The deer harvest tag must be immediately attached to the carcass of the harvested deer and must remain attached to the carcass until the carcass is delivered to a licensed butcher or the carcass is disposed of in a legal manner.

1.3 Hunter must have tag attached and attached to the carcass of the harvested deer until the carcass is delivered to a licensed butcher or the carcass is disposed of in a legal manner.

1.4 Hunter must submit the harvest report card within 14 days of the kill.

REPORTING PENALTY:
 Failure to submit a harvest report card within 14 days of the kill is a misdemeanor offense and is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or imprisonment in the county jail for up to 6 months.

REPORT CARD QUESTIONS
 DID YOU HUNT DEER: ☒ YES ☐ NO
 NUMBER OF DAYS HUNTING DEER: 4
 WERE YOU SUCCESSFUL: ☒ YES ☐ NO

HARVEST INFORMATION
 Out No: 04021779794
 DATE: 01/01/2019

Harvest Report Card Portion

Hunted, Did Not Harvest

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DEER TAG
See Regulations for Season Dates

GO ID: 10813724
STATE ID: J1724 CA
JOHN UNSUCCESSFUL
129 JANIE E ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95834

SEX: M HAIR: Brown EYES: Hazel
HT: 5'45" WT: 200 DOB: 01/01/1995

Resident: (Check resident in California continuously for the past 6 months)

Out No: 04021779794
Trans: 0000001848268
01/01/19

Item: 18 Deer Tag, 18202012
Total: \$30.39

Includes any applicable applicable fees, agent handling fees and license fee exchange

Deer Tag Fees and Regulations: (Check one)
☒ **B** ZONES ARCHERY AND GENERAL SEASONS - BUCK
 Valid during the Archery and General Seasons in zones B1, B2, B3, B4, B5 and B6

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL HUNTING
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REPORTING PENALTY:
 Failure to submit a harvest report card within 14 days of the kill is a misdemeanor offense and is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or imprisonment in the county jail for up to 6 months.

REPORT CARD QUESTIONS
 DID YOU HUNT DEER: ☒ YES ☐ NO
 NUMBER OF DAYS HUNTING DEER: 4
 WERE YOU SUCCESSFUL: ☐ YES ☒ NO

HARVEST INFORMATION
 Out No: 04021779794
 DATE: 01/01/2019

Answer ALL harvest info questions

Record your harvest report confirmation number here

- A confirmation number is provided if you submit your report online
- If you submit by mail, you will receive a confirmation number by email if you have an email address in your profile

Did Not Hunt

18 DR
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
DEER TAG
See Regulations for Season Dates

GO ID: 10813722
STATE ID: N13722 CA
JOE DID NOT HUNT
123 NOT HUNTING ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95834

SEX: M HAIR: Blonde EYES: Blue
HT: 6'00" WT: 200 DOB: 01/01/1990

Resident: (Check resident in California continuously for the past 6 months)

Out No: 04021779852
Trans: 0000001848268
01/01/19

Item: 18 Deer Tag, 18202012
Total: \$30.39

Includes any applicable applicable fees, agent handling fees and license fee exchange

Deer Tag Fees and Regulations: (Check one)
☒ **D16** ZONE D16 ARCHERY AND GENERAL SEASONS - BUCK
 TAG MUST BE IN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION WHILE HUNTING

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL HUNTING
 1.1 Upon the harvesting of any deer, the hunter must immediately fill out all information requested on the harvest report card and tag and submit the information to the Department of Fish and Wildlife within 14 days of the kill.

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REPORTING PENALTY:
 Failure to submit a harvest report card within 14 days of the kill is a misdemeanor offense and is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or imprisonment in the county jail for up to 6 months.

REPORT CARD QUESTIONS
 DID YOU HUNT DEER: ☐ YES ☒ NO
 NUMBER OF DAYS HUNTING DEER: 0
 WERE YOU SUCCESSFUL: ☐ YES ☒ NO

HARVEST INFORMATION
 Out No: 04021779852
 DATE: 01/01/2019

Answer ALL questions

Record your harvest report confirmation number here

- A confirmation number is provided if you submit your report online
- If you submit by mail, you will receive a confirmation number by email if you have an email address in your profile

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
DEER TAG

Permit allows to attach to animal

Zone D16 Archery and Buck
General Seasons - Buck
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86

DATE: 12/23/18
HUNTER INFORMATION: JOHN HUNTER
STATE ID: 123456789
123 HUNTING ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95835

LOCALITY OF KILL: [blank]
COUNTY OF KILL: [blank]
METHOD OF TAKE: [blank]
HARVEST REPORT CONFIRMATION NUMBER: 8436

Record your harvest report confirmation number here

18 DR
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
DEER TAG

Permit allows to attach to animal

Zone B Archery and Buck
General Seasons - Buck
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86

DATE: 12/23/18
HUNTER INFORMATION: JOHN HUNTER
STATE ID: 123456789
123 HUNTING ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95835

LOCALITY OF KILL: [blank]
COUNTY OF KILL: [blank]
METHOD OF TAKE: [blank]
HARVEST REPORT CONFIRMATION NUMBER: 7392

Upon harvesting a deer, cut along the dotted line to separate the Harvest Report Card (the top half) to the antler portion (the bottom half).

Record your harvest report confirmation number here

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
DEER TAG

Permit allows to attach to animal

Zone A Archery and Buck
General Seasons - Buck
Immediately After Tagged Deer
Completed After Tagged Deer
Valid during seasons 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86
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Completed After Tagged Deer
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DATE: 12/23/18
HUNTER INFORMATION: JOHN HUNTER
STATE ID: 123456789
123 HUNTING ST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95835

LOCALITY OF KILL: [blank]
COUNTY OF KILL: [blank]
METHOD OF TAKE: [blank]
HARVEST REPORT CONFIRMATION NUMBER: 7392

Attach to antler portion

CDFW estimates population numbers and trends using harvest and hunter effort data from tag reports, in combination with other data, so accurate hunter harvest reports are important. Population numbers and trends are in turn used to estimate the number of animals that can be harvested (allowable harvest) without harming the overall population. Timely reporting is necessary so CDFW has enough time to analyze and incorporate last year's data for the upcoming hunting season.

for the purpose of taking it to the nearest CDFW employee. If CDFW offices are closed, the bear tag shall be validated within one business day of transporting the bear from the point where taken.

MANDATORY HARVEST REPORTING FOR ALL DEER TAG HOLDERS

Any person who is issued a deer tag must submit a harvest report card:

- Successful hunters must submit a completed report within 30 days of taking a deer;
- Unsuccessful hunters; and
- Hunters who did not hunt must submit a completed report by answering the applicable questions on the harvest report card and submit the report by January 31.

HOW TO SUBMIT A REPORT:

Online:

Log in to your internet sales profile at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales. You will receive a confirmation number once you have successfully submitted your report online. You must record the confirmation number in the space provided on the harvest report card and retain the harvest report card until March 1 annually. Tags reported online must be surrendered to CDFW upon demand; **OR**

By Mail:

CDFW Wildlife Branch, PO Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94299-0002

NON-REPORTING DEER TAG FEE

Deer tag holders who fail to submit a harvest report for any 2018 deer tag by January 31, 2019, will be assessed a \$21.60 non-reporting fee when purchasing a deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the 2019 license year.

TAG	REPORTING	COUNTERSIGNED REQUIREMENT	LENGTH OF TIME TO RETAIN TAG
Deer	Successful hunters must report within 30 days of harvest or by January 31, whichever comes first. Unsuccessful hunters and hunters who did not hunt must report by January 31. Hunters who do not report by the deadline will be assessed a non-reporting penalty fee of \$21.60 when purchasing their deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the following license year.	Persons Authorized to Validate (see below)	Keep tag attached for 15 days thereafter the season closes. Retain harvest report cards submitted online until March 1.
Bear	Successful hunters must return report cards immediately. Hunters who were unsuccessful or did not hunt must return report cards by February 1.	CDFW Staff Only	Retain head & skin for 15 days thereafter season closes.
Elk	Successful and unsuccessful hunters must return report cards within one week of season closure.	Persons Authorized to Validate (see below)	Keep tag attached 15 days thereafter season closes.
Pronghorn	Successful and unsuccessful hunters must return report cards within one week of season closure.	Not Required	Keep tag attached 15 days thereafter season closes.
Bighorn Sheep	Successful hunters must report by phone within 24 hours. Successful and unsuccessful report cards must be returned within 10 days of season closure.	CDFW Staff Only	N/A
Wild Pig	Successful hunters must return report cards immediately.	Not Required	N/A

All tag holders upon the killing of any big game shall immediately fill out all portions of the tag including the harvest report card. The tag shall be completely, legibly, and permanently filled out as listed:

- Fill out the effort questions
- Cut out or punch out notches for the month and date of kill. They must be completely cut out or punched out and removed.

- The antler portion of the license tag must be attached to the antlers of an antlered animal or to the ear of an antlerless animal immediately upon being killed.

Deer and elk tags shall be countersigned before transporting, except for the purpose of taking it to the nearest person authorized to countersign the license tag. Bear tags shall only be countersigned by a CDFW employee before transporting, except

PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO VALIDATE OR COUNTERSIGN DEER AND ELK TAGS (CCR T14-708.6(C))*

State

- Fish and Game Commissioners
- Employees of CDFW, including Certified Hunter Education Instructors
- Employees of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- Supervising Plant Quarantine Inspectors
- Junior, Intermediate and Senior Plant Quarantine Inspectors

Federal

- Employees of the Bureau of Land Management
- Employees of the United States Forest Service
- Employees of the United States Fish & Wildlife Service
- All Uniformed Personnel of the National Park Service
- Commanding Officers of any United States military installation or their designated personnel for deer taken on their reservation
- Postmasters & Post Office Station or Branch Manager for deer brought to their post office

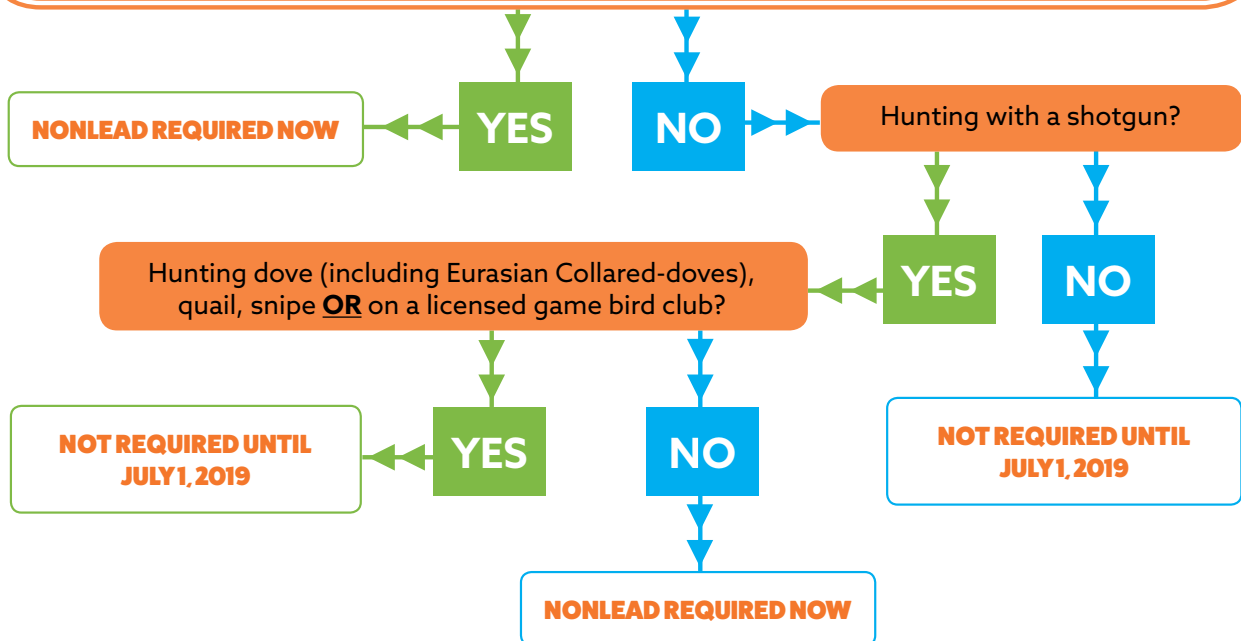
Miscellaneous

- County firemen at and above the class of foreman for deer brought into their station
- Judges or Justices of all state and United States courts
- Notaries Public
- Peace Officers (salaried and non-salaried)
- Officers authorized to administer oaths
- Owners, corporate officers, managers or operators of lockers or cold storage plants for deer brought to their place of business

* No person may validate or countersign his/her own deer tag or elk tag/ CCR T14-708.6(b).

Need Nonlead?

Hunting on a CDFW Wildlife Area or Ecological Reserve?



* Nonlead ammo is not required when hunting with an air rifle.

* Existing restrictions on the use of lead ammunition in the California condor range remain in effect.



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SHARE



Shared Habitat Alliance for Recreational Enhancement
California Department of Fish and Wildlife



SHARE PROGRAM HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES - FALL 2018

ELK OPPORTUNITIES

SHARE properties for elk tags occur in Colusa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino and Siskiyou counties, for a total of:

- 13 bull elk tags
- 31 antlerless elk tags
- 4 junior only antlerless elk tags

Property and application information will be posted on the SHARE webpage on **May 11, 2018**.

Preference points will not be utilized (gained or lost) for SHARE elk hunts.

OTHER SHARE HUNTS

- Solano County - wild pig
- Santa Barbara County - deer, bear, wild pig, turkey, dove and quail
- Siskiyou County - B6 deer hunt
- Merced County - waterfowl, dove, pheasant

For more information about these hunts or the SHARE Program please visit the website at: <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/SHARE>



Marcus B., Sylva Ranch SHARE hunt

Andrew L., Sibley Ranch SHARE hunt

Madeline C., Del Norte SHARE hunt



Tanner E., Likely Tables Apprentice Hunt

ELK, PRONGHORN & BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTING INFORMATION

For the 2018 Big Game Drawing, 16 is the maximum number of preference points for any species a hunter can have. To look up your preference points totals log on to your customer profile at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales and click on 'View My Draw Application/Preference Points' at the top of the page.

By law, you may only submit one application for each species. Any person submitting multiple applications for the same species will be rejected from the drawing and may be prosecuted. All applicants must submit the \$8.13 nonrefundable processing fee for their application.

ELK AND PRONGHORN TAG APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS

Applicants must be 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2018, and possess a valid 2018-19 California hunting license. Only one nonresident may be drawn for an elk or pronghorn tag annually.

APPRENTICE ELK & PRONGHORN HUNTS

Applicants must possess a valid 2018-19 California Junior Hunting License. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied when hunting, by a licensed adult chaperone at least 18 years of age.

BIGHORN SHEEP TAG APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2018, and possess a valid 2018-19 California hunting license and must not have been awarded in the drawing a California bighorn sheep tag in any prior year.

Not more than 10 percent of the Bighorn sheep tags shall be awarded to nonresidents each year.

Applicants cannot apply as a party for a Bighorn sheep tag.

MANDATORY BIGHORN SHEEP HUNT ORIENTATION

Successfully drawn applicants and recipients of fund-raising tags must complete the hunter orientation requirement.

APPLYING AS A PARTY

Up to two residents may apply as a party. Nonresidents cannot apply as a party for elk or pronghorn tags. See page 14 for instructions on applying as a party.

If your party is drawn for the last available tag, the party leader will be awarded the tag and the party member will become the first alternate for that hunt. Parties drawn as alternates will be awarded unclaimed tags on an individual basis, in the order drawn.

Bighorn sheep applicants may not apply as a party.

CHECK YOUR BIG GAME DRAWING RECEIPT CAREFULLY!

All applicants will receive a Drawing Receipt containing the applicants name, hunt choice, accumulated preference points and a Party Number. Applicants should verify the information on their Drawing Receipt before leaving the sales counter. If any of the information is incorrect, the sales clerk must cancel the Drawing Receipt document and 're-sell' the application with the correct information. License agents have only four hours to cancel a sale. If the transaction has exceeded the four hour limit when the discrepancy is found, the applicant must contact CDFW's License and Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at LRB@wildlife.ca.gov.

DRAWING RESULTS

CDFW has 10 business days to conduct the drawing. Applicants may look up their drawing results on or around June 19, 2018 by entering their customer information on CDFW's website at www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales and click on 'View My Draw Application/Preference Points' at the top of the page. Applicants will also see their new preference point totals by clicking on the tab 'Preference Point.' On the same day, drawing results will be available by phone during regular business hours from CDFW license sales offices.

NOTIFYING APPLICANTS

Successful applicants and alternates should receive notices in the mail by July 2, 2018. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

It is not necessary to have the successful tag letter to claim your tag; hunters may go to any

CDFW license sales office or online to purchase your elk or pronghorn tag.

Successful bighorn sheep tag applicants must submit their payments to the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento.

TAG FEES & PAYMENT DEADLINE

Fee payments from successful applicants for elk and pronghorn tags must be received by the designated CDFW license sales office or purchased online by 5 p.m. on July 16, 2018. Fee payments for Bighorn sheep tags must be received by CDFW's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento by 5 p.m. on July 16, 2018. Should there be unclaimed tags for any hunt after that date; the alternate list for that hunt shall be used. Tags will be awarded on an individual basis in the order drawn.

Elk Tag Fee:

Resident - \$459.25

Nonresident - \$1,404.55

Pronghorn Tag Fee:

Resident - \$154.18

Nonresident - \$472.90

Bighorn Sheep Tag Fee:

Resident - \$420.25

Nonresident - \$1,555.50

DEFINITIONS

Antlerless Elk

Any elk, with the exception of spotted calves, with antlers less than four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull CCR T14-364(l)(3).

Bull Elk

Any elk having an antler or antlers at least four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull CCR T14-364(l)(1).

Either-Sex Elk

Bull elk, spike elk, or antlerless elk. CCR T14-364(l)(4).

Spike Bull Elk

A bull elk having no more than one point on each antler. An antler point is a projection of the antler at least one inch long and longer than the width of its base. CCR T14-364(l)(2).

Buck Pronghorn

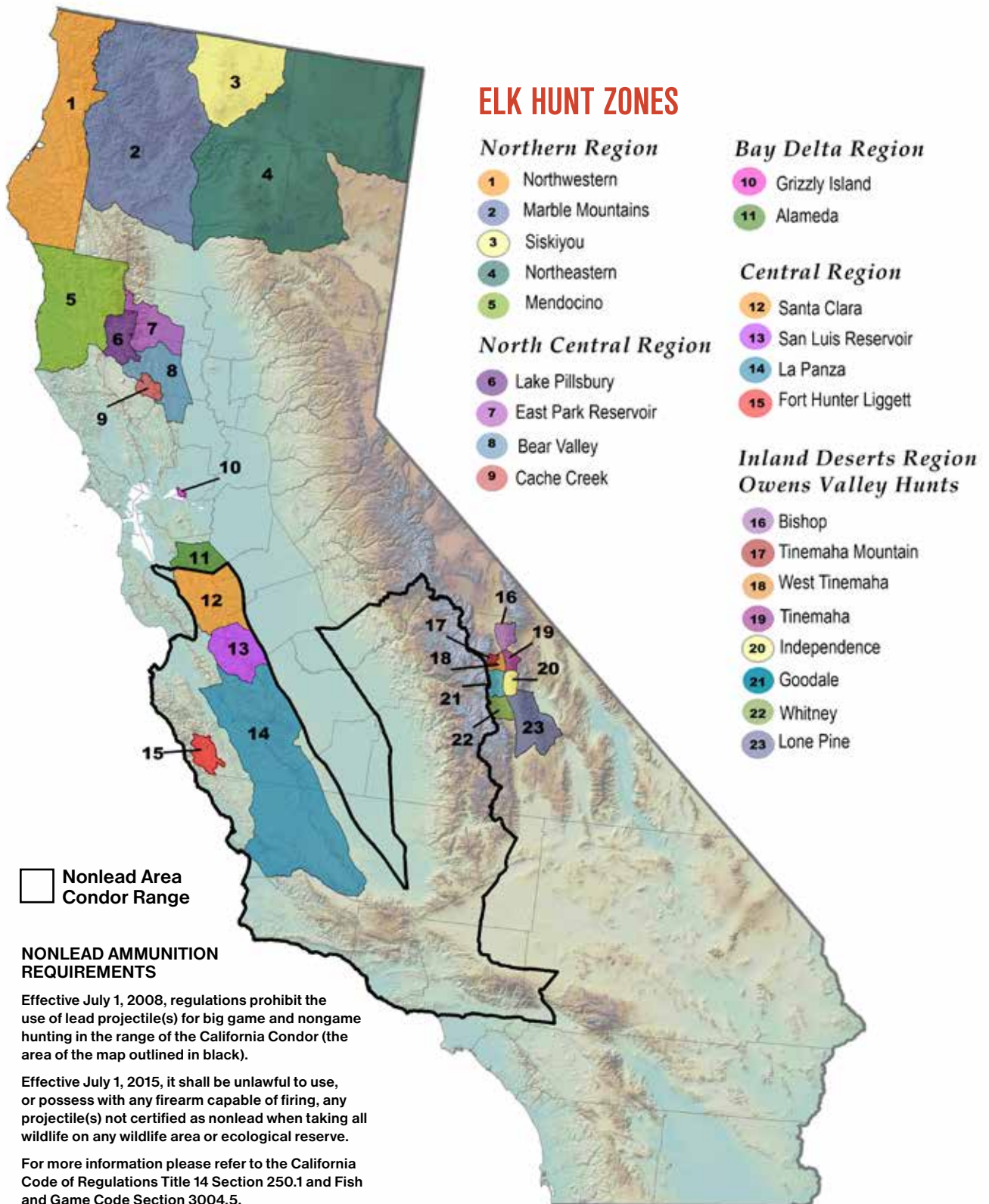
Pronghorn with horns longer than the ears. CCR T14-363(k)(2).

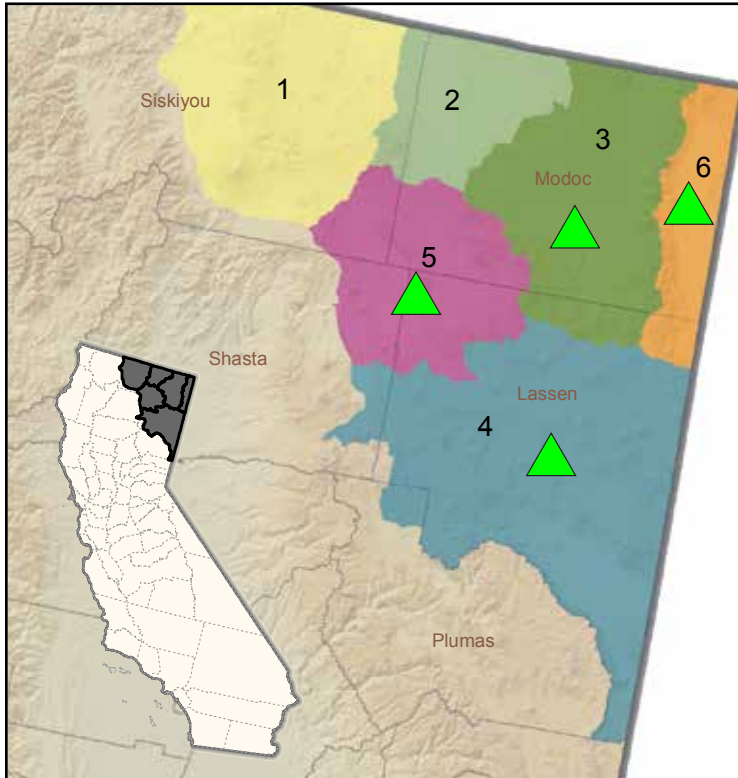
Doe Pronghorn

Pronghorn with horns shorter than the ears. CCR T14-363(k)(2).

Either-Sex Pronghorn

Buck or doe pronghorn. CCR T14-363(k)(2).





PRONGHORN HUNT ZONES

It is unlawful to use, or possess with any firearm capable of firing, any projectile(s) not certified as nonlead within the California Condor Range and when taking all wildlife on any wildlife area or ecological reserve. (CCRT14 - 250.1, 551, 552, and 630; FGC - 3004.5)

- 1 Mount Dome
 - 2 Clear Lake
 - 3 Likely Tables
 - 4 Lassen
 - 5 Big Valley
 - 6 Surprise Valley
- Closed to Pronghorn Hunting
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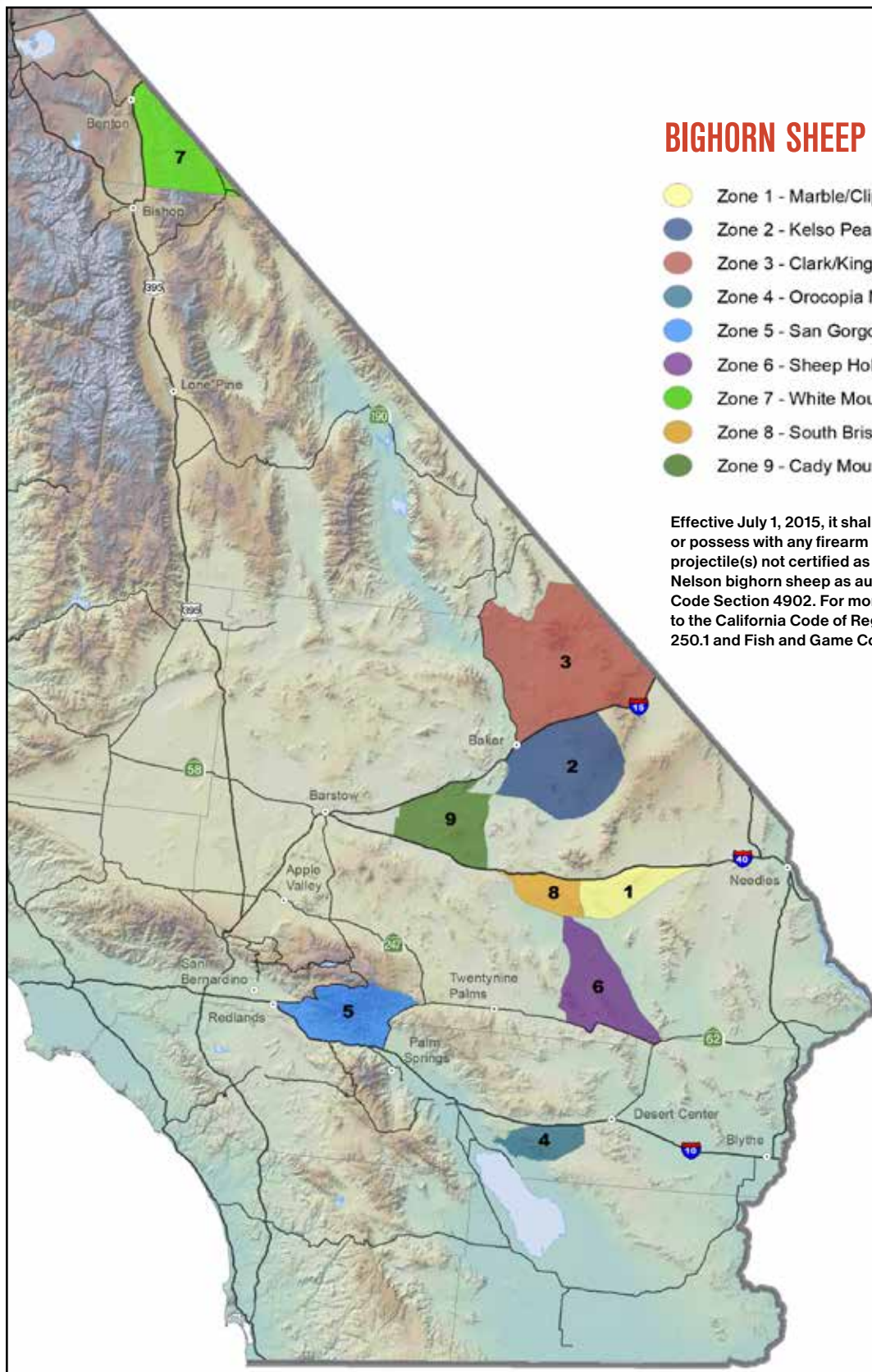
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BIGHORN SHEEP HUNT ZONES

-  Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains
-  Zone 2 - Kelso Peak/Old Dad Mountains
-  Zone 3 - Clark/Kingston Mountain Ranges
-  Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains
-  Zone 5 - San Geronio Mountains
-  Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains
-  Zone 7 - White Mountains
-  Zone 8 - South Bristol Mountains
-  Zone 9 - Cady Mountains

Effective July 1, 2015, it shall be unlawful to use, or possess with any firearm capable of firing, any projectile(s) not certified as nonlead when taking Nelson bighorn sheep as authorized by Fish and Game Code Section 4902. For more information please refer to the California Code of Regulations Title 14 Section 250.1 and Fish and Game Code Section 3004.5.



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HUNT TAG DESCRIPTION	HUNT CODE	TAG QUOTA	PREFERENCE POINT QUOTA	RANDOM QUOTA	TOTAL APPLICANTS	MAXIMUM POINT APPLICANTS*
Preference Point Only - Elk	499	0	0	0	8,970	573
APPRENTICE HUNTS						
Cache Creek Apprentice - Bull	484	1	0	1	351	0
Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 1 - Antlerless	466	3	2	1	133	0
Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 2 - Spike Bull	469	2	1	1	137	0
Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 3 - Antlerless	353	3	2	1	283	0
Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 4 - Spike Bull	354	2	1	1	189	0
La Panza Period 1 Apprentice - Antlerless	464	1	0	1	107	0
Marble Mountain Apprentice - Either Sex	408	2	1	1	239	0
Northeastern CA Apprentice - Either Sex	409	2	1	1	534	0
ANTLERLESS HUNTS						
Bear Valley - General Methods	329	1	0	1	69	0
Cache Creek Period 2 - General Methods	416	2	1	1	173	0
East Park Reservoir - General Methods	463	2	1	1	88	1
Fort Hunter Liggett - Archery	450	4	3	1	76	0
Goodale Period 1 - Muzzleloader	364	1	0	1	37	1
Goodale Period 2 - General Methods	365	1	0	1	46	0
Goodale Period 3 - General Methods	366	1	0	1	52	0
Grizzly Island Period 1 - General Methods	433	6	5	1	317	3
Grizzly Island Period 2 - General Methods	436	2	1	1	103	3
Grizzly Island Period 3 - General Methods	439	6	5	1	264	6
Grizzly Island Period 4 - General Methods	442	4	3	1	188	1
Grizzly Island Period 5 - General Methods	443	8	6	2	134	5
Grizzly Island Period 7 - General Methods	356	8	6	2	228	1
Grizzly Island Period 9 - General Methods	358	8	6	2	330	3
Grizzly Island Period 11 - General Methods	360	8	6	2	238	6
Grizzly Island Period 13 - General Methods	363	8	6	2	172	2
Independence Period 2 - General Methods	368	1	0	1	88	0
Independence Period 3 - General Methods	370	1	0	1	82	3
Independence Period 4 - General Methods	372	1	0	1	117	3
La Panza Period 1 - General Methods	417	5	4	1	143	0
La Panza Period 2 - General Methods	418	6	5	1	236	1
Lake Pillsbury - General Methods	331	4	3	1	257	1
Lone Pine Period 1 - Archery	337	1	0	1	57	0
Lone Pine Period 2 - General Methods	495	1	0	1	79	0
Lone Pine Period 3 - General Methods	459	1	0	1	69	0
Marble Mountain - General Methods	301	10	8	2	265	1
Northeastern California - General Methods	304	10	8	2	390	6
Siskiyou - General Methods	401	20	15	5	262	0
Whitney Period 2 - General Methods	346	1	0	1	27	0

HUNT TAG DESCRIPTION	HUNT CODE	TAG QUOTA	PREFERENCE POINT QUOTA	RANDOM QUOTA	TOTAL APPLICANTS	MAXIMUM POINT APPLICANTS*
BULL HUNTS						
Bear Valley - General Methods	330	2	1	1	292	19
Cache Creek Period 1 - General Methods	406	2	1	1	785	59
East Park Reservoir - General Methods	461	2	1	1	964	180
Fort Hunter Liggett - Muzzleloader	326	4	3	1	781	86
Grizzly Island Period 10 - General Methods	359	3	2	1	2,294	428
Grizzly Island Period 12 - General Methods	362	3	2	1	1,380	242
Independence Period 1 - Muzzleloader	367	1	0	1	250	30
Independence Period 2 - General Methods	369	1	0	1	510	38
Independence Period 3 - General Methods	371	1	0	1	355	32
La Panza Period 1 - General Methods	419	6	5	1	674	53
La Panza Period 2 - General Methods	420	6	5	1	710	81
Lake Pillsbury - General Methods	332	2	1	1	886	95
Lone Pine Period 2 - General Methods	486	1	0	1	811	107
Lone Pine Period 3 - General Methods	496	1	0	1	470	43
Marble Mountain - General Methods	302	35	27	8	2,011	56
Mendocino - General Methods	328	2	1	1	338	19
Northeastern California - General Methods	305	15	12	3	3,887	594
Northwestern California - General Methods	355	15	12	3	1,050	45
Owens Valley Multiple Zone - Archery	422	3	2	1	979	121
Siskiyou - General Methods	300	20	15	5	938	34
EITHER SEX HUNTS						
Fort Hunter Liggett - Archery	449	3	2	1	462	28
Marble Mountain - Muzzleloader/Archery	303	5	4	1	268	1
Northeastern California - Archery	411	10	8	2	614	31
Northwestern California - General Methods	483	3	2	1	497	4
San Luis Reservoir - General Methods	497	5	4	1	1,002	62
SPIKE BULL HUNTS						
Grizzly Island Period 2 - General Methods	437	4	3	1	136	3
Grizzly Island Period 4 - General Methods	350	2	1	1	125	4
Grizzly Island Period 8 - General Methods	357	6	5	1	224	9
* In the 2017 Big Game Drawing, the maximum preference points a hunter could have was 15. The maximum preference points a hunter could have and be eligible for an Apprentice Hunt was five (5).						

2018 ELK HUNTS

PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Preference Point Only - Elk	499	8,970	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only, applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2018.		

APPRENTICE HUNTS

Applicants must be under 18 years of age and possess a Junior Hunting License. Licensed adult chaperone required (CCR T14-708.11(b)(2)).

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Marble Mountains either-sex	408	239/2	100	2	Sep 5-16
Northeastern California either-sex	409	534/2	100	2	Sep 12-23
Cache Creek Period 1 bull	484	351/1	100	1	Oct 13-28
La Panza Period 1 antlerless	464	107/1	100	1	Oct 13-Nov 4
Grizzly Island Period 1 antlerless	466	133/3	100	3	Aug 14-17
Grizzly Island Period 2 spike bull	469	137/2	100	2	Aug 16-19
Grizzly Island Period 3 antlerless	353	283/2	100	3	Aug 21-24
Grizzly Island Period 4 spike bull	354	189/2	100	2	Aug 23-26

408 See hunt 301 and 302 for comments
 409 See hunt 304 and 305 for comments
 484 See hunt 406 for comments

464 See hunt 417 and 419 for comments
 353, 354, 466, and 469 See hunts 433 and 437 for comments

ARCHERY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Northeastern CA Archery either-sex	411	614/10	40	10	Aug 29-Sep 9
Owens Valley Multiple Zone Archery bull	422	979/5	33	3	Aug 11-19
Lone Pine Period 1 Archery antlerless	337	57/1	0	1	Sep 8-23
Fort Hunter Liggett Archery only either-sex	449	462/3	100	3	July 28-Aug 5
Fort Hunter Liggett Archery only antlerless	450	76/4	50	4	Nov 21-29

411 See hunt 304 and 305 for comments. Archery season typically not during the rut. (530) 233-3581.
 422 Good access to public land. (760) 872-1171. Tag is valid in Bishop, Independence and Lone Pine.

337 See hunt 486 for comments
 449 and 450 Tag holders must purchase hunting pass from the base. Season dates and hunt areas subject to modification by Base Commander. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to each hunt (831) 366-2214. Areas designated for archery/muzzleloader may be open during general hunts.

MUZZLELOADER/ARCHERY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Marble Mountains Muzzleloader/Archery either-sex	303	268/5	80	5	Oct 27-Nov 4

303 See hunt 301 and 302 for comments

MUZZLELOADER

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Fort Hunter Liggett Muzzleloader bull	326	781/4	75	4	Dec. 15-30
Goodale Period 1 Muzzleloader antlerless	364	37/1	100	1	Sep 8-23
Independence Period 1 Muzzleloader bull	367	250/1	0	1	Sep 8-23
326 See hunt 449 for comments		364 See hunts 336 and 366 for comments			
367 See hunt 368 and 369 for comments		367 See hunt 368 and 369 for comments			

ROOSEVELT

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Siskiyou antlerless	401	262/20	20	20	Sep 5-16
Siskiyou bull	300	938/20	65	20	Sep 5-16
Northwestern California either-sex	483	497/3	67	3	Sep 5-27
Northwestern California bull	355	1050/10	80	15	Sep 5-27
Marble Mountain antlerless	301	265/10	70	10	Sep 5-16
Marble Mountain bull	302	2011/35	66	35	Sep 5-16
401 and 300 Very limited opportunity on public land; elk present on a few private lands with restricted access requiring trespass fees. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Deer and elk season partially overlap (530) 598-6820.			301 and 302 Opportunity on public land; limited opportunity on private land with restricted access requiring access fee. Hunters seeking private land opportunities are recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Difficult terrain requiring hiking and elevation gain. Deer and elk season partially overlap (530) 598-6820. High daytime temperatures to be expected, pack animals recommended. Difficult hunt.		
355 and 483 Very limited opportunity on public land; hunters are responsible for obtaining landowner permission to access private land. Landowners may charge access fee. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (707) 445-6497.					

ROOSEVELT/TULE

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Mendocino bull	328	338/2	100	2	Sep 19-30
328 Elk entirely on private property. Permission from landowner required. CDFW does NOT have list of landowners who would allow access. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Access fee may apply (707) 456-0329.					

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Northeastern CA antlerless	304	390/10	40	10	Nov 14-25
Northeastern CA bull	305	3887/15	73	15	Sep 12-23
304 and 305 Opportunity for elk on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap. (530) 233-3581.					

TULE

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Cache Creek Period 1 bull	406	785/2	100	2	Oct 13-28
Cache Creek Period 2 antlerless	416	173/2	50	2	Oct 20-Nov 4
La Panza Period 1 antlerless	417	143/5	60	5	Oct 13-Nov 4
La Panza Period 1 bull	419	674/6	73	6	Oct 13-Nov 4
La Panza Period 2 antlerless	418	236/6	17	6	Nov 10-Dec 2
La Panza Period 2 bull	420	710/6	100	6	Nov 10-Dec 2
Goodale Period 2 antlerless	365	46/1	100	1	Oct 6-14
Goodale Period 3 antlerless	366	52/1	100	1	Oct 20-28
Independence Period 2 antlerless	368	88/1	0	1	Oct 6-14
Independence Period 2 bull	369	510/1	100	1	Oct 6-14
Independence Period 3 antlerless	370	82/1	0	1	Oct 20-28
Independence Period 3 bull	371	355/1	0	1	Oct 20-28
Independence Period 4 antlerless	372	117/1	100	1	Nov 3-11
Lone Pine Period 2 antlerless	495	79/1	100	1	Oct 6-14
Lone Pine Period 2 bull	486	811/1	100	1	Oct 6-14
Lone Pine Period 3 antlerless	459	69/1	100	1	Oct 20-28
Lone Pine Period 3 bull	496	470/1	0	1	Oct 20-28
Whitney Period 2 antlerless	346	27/1	0	1	Oct 6-14
Grizzly Island Period 1 antlerless	433	317/6	100	6	Aug 14-17
Grizzly Island Period 2 antlerless	436	103/2	100	2	Aug 16-19
Grizzly Island Period 2 spike bull	437	136/2	100	4	Aug 16-19
Grizzly Island Period 3 antlerless	439	264/6	100	6	Aug 21-24
Grizzly Island Period 4 antlerless	442	188/2	100	4	Aug 23-26
Grizzly Island Period 4 spike bull	350	125/2	100	2	Aug 23-26
Grizzly Island Period 5 antlerless	443	134/8	100	8	Aug 28-31
Grizzly Island Period 7 antlerless	356	228/8	75	8	Sep 4-7
Grizzly Island Period 8 spike bull	357	224/6	100	6	Sep 6-9
Grizzly Island Period 9 antlerless	358	330/8	100	8	Sep 11-14
Grizzly Island Period 10 bull	359	2294/3	100	3	Sep 13-16
Grizzly Island Period 11 antlerless	360	238/8	88	8	Sep 18-21
Grizzly Island Period 12 bull	362	1380/2	67	3	Sep 20-23
Grizzly Island Period 13 antlerless	363	172/8	100	8	Sep 25-28
East Park Reservoir bull	461	964/2	100	2	Sep 1-27
East Park Reservoir antlerless	463	88/2	100	2	Sep 1-27
San Luis Reservoir either-sex	497	1002/5	60	5	Oct 6-28
Bear Valley antlerless	329	69/1	100	1	Oct 13-21
Bear Valley bull	330	292/2	50	2	Oct 13-21
Lake Pillsbury antlerless	331	257/4	100	4	Sep 5-14
Lake Pillsbury bull	332	886/2	100	2	Sep 24-Oct 3

406 and **416** Elk on public and private land. Significant numbers of elk on private land where access may be restricted.

417, 418, 419 and **420** Elk on public and private land (private land access may be restricted or access fee required). Access restrictions on CDFW properties. Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day. Public land access limitations apply to CDFW wildlife areas. (831) 649-2870.

346, 365, 366, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 459, 486, 495, and **496** Good access to public land. (760) 872-1171.

350, 356 - 363, 433, 436, 437, 439, 442, and **443** Hunt CDFW land only. Hunters strongly encouraged to bring one non-hunting companion for assistance. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 428-3828 or (707) 944-5500.

461 and **463** Colusa County Ordinance prohibits firearms (including archery equipment) on East Park Reservoir (Bureau of Reclamation, BOR) property. A variance allows the use of muzzleloaders (as defined in CCR T14-353). East park Reservoir (BOR) property will be open to bull hunting Sept 10-13; and antlerless hunting Sept 17-20 and Sept 24-27. Other restrictions apply. Mandatory orientation prior to hunt day (916) 445-9992.

497 Very limited opportunity on public land. State Park property not open to hunting. Public land method restricted to archery. Private land access may be restricted or access fee required. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Low probability of hunter success (916) 445-9992.

329 and **330** Elk almost entirely on private property. Permission from landowner required. CDFW does NOT have list of landowners who would allow access. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Access fee may apply. (916) 445-9992.

331 and **332** Good access to public land. (916) 445-9992.

HUNT TAG DESCRIPTION	HUNT CODE	TAG QUOTA	PREFERENCE POINT QUOTA	RANDOM QUOTA	TOTAL APPLICANTS	MAXIMUM POINT APPLICANTS*
Preference Point Only - Pronghorn	799	0	0	0	8,294	482

APPRENTICE HUNTS

Zone 3 - Likely Tables Apprentice - Either Sex	734	5	4	1	483	0
Zone 4 - Lassen Apprentice - Either-Sex	790	5	4	1	689	0
Zone 5 - Big Valley Apprentice - Either Sex	780	1	0	1	123	0
Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Apprentice - Either Sex	766	4	3	1	247	0

BUCK HUNTS

Zone 1 - Mount Dome - General Methods	710	2	1	1	386	12
Zone 2 - Clear Lake - General Methods	720	15	12	3	1,146	55
Zone 2 - Clear Lake - Archery	728	1	0	1	93	1
Zone 3 - Likely Tables Period 1 - General Methods	730	45	34	11	2,908	169
Zone 3 - Likely Tables Period 2 - General Methods	732	45	34	11	2,413	100
Zone 3 - Likely Tables - Archery	738	15	12	3	411	1
Zone 4 - Lassen Period 1 - General Methods	740	35	27	8	4,103	268
Zone 4 - Lassen Period 2 - General Methods	742	35	27	8	2,744	133
Zone 4 - Lassen - Archery	745	5	4	1	404	2
Zone 5 - Big Valley - General Methods	750	20	15	5	983	27
Zone 5 - Big Valley - Archery	755	1	0	1	78	0
Zone 6 - Surprise Valley - General Methods	760	10	8	2	1,108	67
Zone 6 - Surprise Valley - Archery	765	1	0	1	105	2

* In the 2017 Big Game Drawing, the maximum preference points a hunter could have was 15. The maximum preference points a hunter could have and be eligible for an Apprentice Hunt was five (5).



2018 PRONGHORN HUNTS

PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Preference Point Only - Pronghorn	799	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only. Applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2018.			

APPRENTICE HUNTS

Applicants must be under 18 years of age and possess a Junior Hunting License. Licensed adult chaperone required (CCR T14-708.10(B)(2)).

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Zone 3 - Likely Tables Period 1 Either-Sex	734	483/5	100	5	Aug 18-26
Zone 4 - Lassen Period 1 Either-Sex	790	689/5	100	5	Aug 18-26
Zone 5 - Big Valley Either-Sex	780	123/1	100	1	Aug 18-26
Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Either-Sex	766	247/4	100	4	Aug 18-26

734 See hunt 730 for comments

766 See hunt 760 for comments

790 See hunt 740 for comments

780 To hunt Ash Creek Wildlife Area call (530) 294-5824. To hunt the wildlife area a mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day is required. See hunt 750 for comments.

ARCHERY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Zone 2 Clear Lake Archery Buck	728	93/1	0	1	Aug 4-12
Zone 3 Likely Tables Archery Buck	738	411/15	20	15	Aug 4-12
Zone 4 Lassen Archery Buck	745	404/5	60	5	Aug 4-12
Zone 5 Big Valley Archery Buck	755	78/1	0	1	Aug 4-12
Zone 6 Surprise Valley Archery Buck	765	105/1	0	1	Aug 4-12

728 See hunt 720 for comments

738 See Hunt 730 and 732 for comments

745 See Hunt 740 and 742 for comments

755 See Hunt 750 and 752 for comments

765 See Hunt 760 for comments

GENERAL METHODS HUNTS

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Zone 1 Mount Dome General Buck	710	386/2	50	2	Aug 18-26
Zone 2 Clear Lake General Buck	720	1146/15	77	15	Aug 18-26
Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 1 General Buck	730	2908/45	77	45	Aug 18-26
Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 2 General Buck	732	2413/45	64	45	Sep 1-9
Zone 4 Lassen Period 1 General Buck	740	4103/35	94	35	Aug 18-26
Zone 4 Lassen Period 2 General Buck	742	2744/35	86	35	Sep 1-9
Zone 5 Big Valley General Buck	750	983/20	80	20	Aug 18-26
Zone 6 Surprise Valley General Buck	760	1108/10	90	10	Aug 18-26

710 Pronghorn on public (Klamath NF (530) 824-6131; Shasta Trinity NF (530) 226-2500; & BLM (530) 224-2100) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. CDFW contact (530) 598-6820).

720 Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. Tag holders may submit an application for hunting access to Peninsula "U" portion of Clear Lake NWR. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

730 and 732 Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

740 and 742 Pronghorn on public (Lassen NF (530) 257-2151; BLM (530) 257-0456) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

750 Pronghorn on Public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; Lassen NF (530) 257-2151; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

760 Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; BLM (530) 279-6101) and private land. Private access may be restricted or fee required. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

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HUNT TAG DESCRIPTION	HUNT CODE	TAG QUOTA	PREFERENCE POINT QUOTA	RANDOM QUOTA	TOTAL APPLICANTS	MAXIMUM POINT APPLICANTS*
Preference Point Only - Bighorn Sheep	599	0	0	0	5,168	284

GENERAL METHODS HUNTS

Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains	501	4	3	1	2,652	435
Zone 3 - Clark And Kingston Mountain Ranges	503	2	1	1	1,418	269
Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains	504	1	0	1	1,026	94
Zone 5 - San Geronio Wilderness	505	2	1	1	1,349	197
Zone 7 - White Mountains	507	3	2	1	1,837	139
Zone 8 - South Bristol Mountains	508	1	0	1	651	32
Zone 9 - Cady Mountains	509	4	3	1	2,191	517

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2018 BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTS

PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Preference Point Only - Bighorn Sheep	599	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only. Applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2018.			

GENERAL METHODS HUNTS

HUNT NAME	HUNT CODE	2017 APPS./TAGS	2017 HUNTER SUCCESS (%)	2018 TAG QUOTA	2018 HUNT DATES
Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains	501	2,652/4	100	4	Dec 1-Feb 3
Zone 2 - Old Dad/Kelso Peak Mountains	502	0	0	0	No tags allocated for 2018
Zone 3 - Clark And Kingston Mountain Ranges	503	1,418/2	100	2	Dec 1-Feb 3
Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains	504	1,026/1	100	1	Dec 1-Feb 3
Zone 5 - San Gorgonio Wilderness	505	1,349/2	100	2	Dec 15-Feb 17
Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains	506	0	0	0	No tags allocated for 2018
Zone 7 - White Mountains	507	1,837/3	67	3	Aug 18-Sept 30
Zone 8 - South Bristol Mountains	508	651/1	100	1	Dec 1-Feb 3
Zone 9 - Cady Mountains	509	2,191/4	100	4	Dec 1-Feb 3

501, 502, 503 and 504 Vehicle access limited to designated routes.
505 Access extremely difficult. Travel by horseback recommended.
 Access fees may be required on private land.
506 Extremely rugged terrain. Vehicle access very limited.

507 Extremely rugged terrain at very high elevations. Altitude sickness has affected previous hunters. Physical condition should be above average.
 Vehicle access limited to none (760) 872-6585.
508 and 509 Vehicle access limited to designated routes.



Sean B., Cady Mountains



Adam H., Marble and Clipper Mountains



MANDATORY PRESENTATION OF BEAR SKULL

Any person who takes a bear shall present the skull (even if damaged) to a CDFW office/officer within 10 days of taking the bear. The skull shall become the property of CDFW. The portion of the skull not needed for scientific purposes will be returned (CCR T14-367.5). Please see appointment section and office phone numbers on the next page.

IMPORTANT! Place a stick or other object in the bear's jaws so that the mouth remains open. Do not present frozen skulls to have the premolar tooth removed. Premolars break easily when the skull is frozen.

Whether or not you are successful, all bear tags must be returned to CDFW no later than February 1, 2019. If you fail to return your 2018 bear tag, even if you did not kill a bear, you will be in violation of (CCR T14-708.12(e)).

Please call ahead before bringing your bear skull to a CDFW office.

BEAR TAGS

To hunt bear in California, all residents and nonresidents must be age 12 or older and have both a valid hunting license and a bear tag. Bear tags can be purchased from any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online, or by telephone sales. Hunters may purchase only one bear tag per hunting license year.

BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS

No person may possess more than one bear per hunting license year.

BEAR HUNTING SEASONS

Archery bear season in all bear zones opens August 18, 2018, and runs through September 9, 2018.

The general season for black bears opens with the general deer hunting seasons in deer zones A, B, C, D, X8, X9A, X9B, X10 and X12 and extends through December 30, 2018. In the remaining deer X zones, the season opens October 13, 2018, and extends through December 30, 2018. CDFW shall close the season earlier if 1,700 bears have been reported taken. For daily updates on reported bear harvest, visit our website: www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Bear or call toll-free (888) 277-6398.

SUMMARY OF BEAR REGULATIONS

It is unlawful to take a cub or a sow accompanied by one or more cubs.

It is unlawful to feed or bait bears for the purpose of hunting them. It is unlawful to hunt bear over bait, or within a 400-yard radius of a garbage dump or bait.

Only CDFW employees may validate bear tags. Bear tags must be validated before the bear can be transported except for the purpose of taking it directly to the nearest person authorized to validate the tag. If CDFW offices are closed, the bear tag shall be validated within one (1) business day of transporting the bear from the point where taken.

Every licensed bear hunter who takes a bear must immediately return the validated report card portion of the bear tag. The tag may be presented to a CDFW office/officer, returned via mail, or reported online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/tagreporting.

Any bear hunter who utilizes the services of a guide must verify that the guide has a valid guide's license and must write the guide's license number on the bear tag in the space provided.

Every licensed bear hunter who is unsuccessful in taking bear must return the report card portion of the bear tag by February 1, of the current license year. The tag may be presented to a CDFW office/officer, returned via mail, or reported online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/tagreporting.

It is illegal to sell parts of any bear in California, including portions of legally-taken bears imported from other states. However, you have the right to retain any and all parts of the bear you take, except the skull, which becomes the property of CDFW.

BEAR TAG VALIDATION AND TOOTH EXTRACTION

If you kill a bear, you must have the tag countersigned (validated) by a CDFW employee. Bear tags must be validated prior to transporting the bear, except for the purpose of taking the bear to the nearest person authorized to validate the tag en route to your home from the point where the bear was taken. All CDFW offices will validate bear tags. The report card portion must be returned immediately after tag validation.

CDFW is requiring a premolar tooth be extracted from EVERY bear taken during the hunting season. This will provide wildlife biologists with sufficient information to refine bear management. The premolar tooth will be processed by cutting it in cross section and examining it under a microscope. The bear's age can then be determined by counting annual growth rings, similar to tree rings. Information on age of harvested bears through tooth aging will be posted online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Bear.

BEAR TAG VALIDATION AND TOOTH EXTRACTION APPOINTMENTS

If you cannot locate a CDFW employee, please call one of the offices listed below and they will provide assistance.

All CDFW offices will validate bear tags.

Please call the following locations for an appointment to have your bear tag validated and/or a tooth pulled. Please leave your bear skull in your vehicle until you check in for your appointment.

License and Revenue Branch

(Sacramento).....	(916) 928-5805
Region 1, Redding	(530) 225-2300
Region 2, Rancho Cordova	(916) 358-2900
Region 3, Yountville	(707) 944-5500
Region 4, Fresno	(559) 243-4005
	Ext.132 or Ext.133
Region 5, San Diego	(858) 467-4201
Region 6, Ontario	(909) 484-0167
Region 7, Monterey	(831) 649-2870

Bishop	(760) 872-1171
Crystal Lake Hatchery	(530) 335-4111
Darrah Springs Hatchery	(530) 474-3141
Eureka	(707) 445-6493
Feather River Hatchery	(530) 538-2222
Iron Gate Hatchery	(530) 475-3420
Kern River Hatchery	(760) 376-2846
La Grange	(209) 853-2533 Ext. 6
Los Alamitos	(562) 596-3885
Los Banos Wildlife Area	(209) 826-0463
Mad River Fish Hatchery	(707) 822-0592
Mendota Wildlife Area	(559) 655-4645
Merced River Hatchery	(209) 563-6410
Moccasin Hatchery	(209) 989-2312
Mokelumne River Hatchery	(209) 759-3383
Mt. Shasta Hatchery	(530) 926-2215
Red Bluff Screen Shop	(530) 528-9406
Red Bluff Field Office	(530) 529-7162
Shasta Valley Wildlife Area	(530) 459-3926
Trinity River Hatchery	(530) 778-3931
Warm Springs Hatchery	(707) 433-6325
Yreka Screen Shop	(530) 841-2555

DEFINITIONS

Bear cub

A bear less than one year old or weighing less than 50 lbs. CCR T14-365(c).

Bait Related to Bears

Any material capable of attracting a bear. CCR T14-365(e).

Baited Area

Any area where shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed whatsoever capable of luring, attracting, or enticing such birds or mammals is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, and such area shall remain a baited area for 10 days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed. CCR T14-257.5.

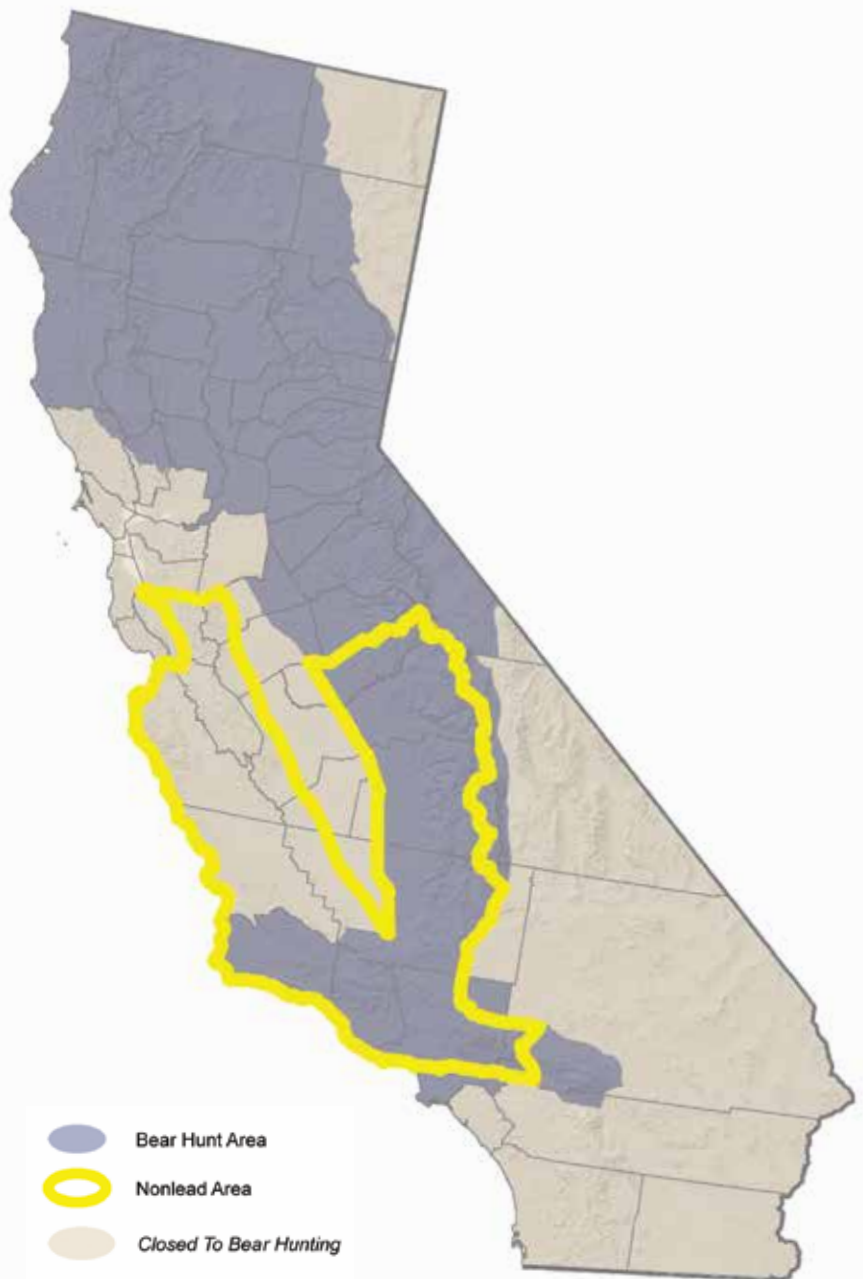
Note: Scents sprayed into the air and allowed to disperse over a wide area in the wind generally do not fall within the definition of bait. Scent products that have to be applied directly to a surface such as a rock, tree or bush generally cause the game to come to that specific place, and if they feed on it, it is bait.

USE OF DOGS FOR PURSUIT/TAKE

Effective January 1, 2013, the use of dogs to pursue/take bears is unlawful for sport-hunting purposes.

AMERICAN BLACK BEAR HUNT AREA

It is unlawful to use, or possess with any firearm capable of firing, any projectile(s) not certified as nonlead within the California Condor Range and when taking all wildlife on any wildlife area or ecological reserve (CCRT14 - 250.1, 551, 552, and 630; FGC - 3004.5).



WILD PIG TAGS

Resident and nonresident hunters, 12 years of age and older, with a valid annual California hunting license may purchase wild pig hunting tags. There is no limit on the number of wild pig tags one person may purchase; however, tag fees are nonrefundable, and tags cannot be transferred from one person to another. For tagging requirements, see page 38.

WILD PIG HUNTING SEASON

Wild pig tags are valid throughout the hunting year, commencing on July 1 and ending on June 30 the following year. There is no daily bag or possession limit for wild pig. For more information on pig hunting and regulations, please go to CDFW's website at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Wild-Pig.

LEGAL METHODS OF TAKE

Generally, wild pigs may only be taken using archery equipment, rifles, .40 caliber or greater muzzleloaders, shotguns and pistols, or revolvers. Knives and spears are not legal methods of take for wild pigs in California. Please see the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers (CCR T14-353) for detailed information.

WILD PIG HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

Cañada de los Osos Ecological Reserve

CDFW provides limited-permit apprentice pig hunting opportunities at Cañada de los Osos Ecological Reserve near Gilroy. The hunts are conducted in coordination with volunteers from the California Deer Association (CDA) who operate the program.

Hunts are scheduled in the spring and fall, and applicants may only apply online by visiting www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regions/3/Hunts/CDLO. Due to the high demand, hunters who are unable to attend the hunt for which they are drawn must notify our office within five days of being notified that they were successfully drawn. Please only apply for hunt dates you can attend.

Successful applicants will be assigned a volunteer from the CDA who will act as their guide for the duration of the hunt. Cañada de los Osos falls within the Ridley-Tree Condor Preservation Area and non-lead ammunition is required for all big game hunts.

SHARE Program for Private Lands Hunting

CDFW provides limited entry permitted hunting opportunities on private and public lands through the SHARE Program. See page 40 for more information and pig hunting opportunities offered through this program.

MORE INFORMATION

Additional information about these hunts and others may be obtained by visiting CDFW's special pig hunts webpage: www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Wild-Pig#194443-hunts. CDFW continues to work with resource conservation partners to provide these special pig hunts. Additional special opportunities will be announced on this webpage as they become available.

TOP 15 COUNTIES FOR WILD PIG HUNTING

COUNTY	3-YEAR AVERAGE REPORTED TAKE
Monterey	714
Kern	710
San Luis Obispo	401
Mendocino	307
Sonoma	265
Tehama	235
San Benito	144
Colusa	118
Lake	95
Santa Clara	86
Fresno	82
Glenn	72
Shasta	60
Napa	47
Merced	42



It is the hunter's responsibility to know and follow the law.

The California statutes governing many aspects of hunting, firearms, fishing, and the use of public lands, are found in the California Fish and Game Code (FGC). Hunting and fishing activities are further regulated by the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Natural Resources (CCR, T14), and the California Penal Code (PC). These documents may be accessed through the Department of Fish and Wildlife website: www.wildlife.ca.gov.

Additionally, California counties and cities have adopted local ordinances which regulate and restrict hunting activities within their jurisdiction.

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), governs many aspects of hunting and fishing on federal lands, specific species, and other activities under federal jurisdiction.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO:

(These are not complete regulations. Some sections are abbreviated.)

Fish and Game Code (FGC)

- Transfer, use, possess or alter any license, tag, stamp, permit, application or reservation. FGC 1052.
- Hunt any game bird or mammal without having the required licenses, tags and/or stamps in possession. FGC 1054.2.
- Damage another's property or injure livestock while hunting. FGC 2004.
- Use an artificial light to assist in taking any game bird or game mammal. FGC 2005(a).
- Possess a loaded rifle or shotgun in any vehicle or conveyance or its attachments which is standing on or along or is being driven on or along any public highway or other way open to the public. FGC 2006.

- A rifle or shotgun shall be deemed to be loaded for the purposes of this section when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell in the firing chamber but not when the only cartridges or shells are in the magazine. FGC 2006.
- The provisions of this section shall not apply to peace officers or members of the armed forces of this state or the United States, while on duty or going to or returning from duty. FGC 2006.
- Use of a shotgun larger than 10 gauge for the taking of any game bird or game mammal, or a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined. FGC 2010; CCR T14-311 and 353(b).
- Fail to exhibit on the demand of a Wildlife Officer, all licenses, tags, fish, or wildlife taken or otherwise dealt with under the Fish and Game Code, and any device or apparatus designed to be, and capable of being, used to take fish or wildlife. FGC 2012.

California Code of Regulations (CCR, T14)

- Take game birds, game mammals or furbearing mammals except as permitted by regulations. CCR T14-250.
- Hunt with a crossbow during archery season (except with a Disabled Archer Permit). CCR T14-354(g).
- Possess a firearm while hunting during archery season or while hunting during the general season with an archery-only tag. CCR T14-354(h).
- Take spike buck. CCR T14- 351(c).
- Pursue, drive, herd, or take any bird or mammal from any type of motor-driven air or land vehicles, motorboat, airboat, sailboat, or snowmobile, except when the motor is off and/or the sails furled and it is drifting, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or is being propelled by paddle, oar or pole. CCR T14-251.
- Knowingly feed big game mammals. CCR T14-251.3.
- Take game birds and mammals within 400 yards of any baited area. This does not apply to the taking of game birds and mammals on or over standing crops, croplands, or grains found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations or procedures. CCR T14-257.5.
- Take bears within 400 yards of any garbage dump or bait. CCR T14-365(e).
- Nock or fit the notch in the end of an arrow to a bowstring or crossbow string in a ready-to-fire position while in or on any vehicle. CCR T14-354(i).
- Hunt with bow or crossbow that will not cast a legal hunting arrow, except flu-flu arrows, a horizontal distance of 130 yards. CCR T14-354(f).
- Hunt big game from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise. CCR T14-352.
- Use dogs for pursuit/ take, or for dog training, during the archery seasons for deer or bear. CCR T14-265(a)(1).
- Use dogs to take, bear, bobcat, elk, bighorn sheep and antelope. CCR T14 265 (a)(2).
- Use dogs for pursuit/ take of, or for dog training on, mountain lions (except under authority of a depredation permit). CCR T14-265(a)(3).
- Possess in any State Game Refuge any bird or mammal or part thereof, or any weapon capable of taking any bird or mammal. FGC 10500.
- However, possession of firearms or bows and arrows by persons traveling through game refuges on a public highway or other public thoroughfare or right of way is permitted when the firearms are taken apart or encased and unloaded, and the bows are unstrung. FGC 10506.

California Penal Code (PC)

- Possess a short barreled shotgun (Barrel less than 18 inches), or a short-barreled rifle (Barrel less than 16 inches). PC 33210.

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)

- National Parks and Monuments have special regulations regarding the possession of weapons, game and the running of hunting dogs. Check with federal officials before entering these areas.



HELP PREVENT CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE FROM REACHING CALIFORNIA

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic Wasting Disease (CDW) is a fatal neurologic disease of deer, elk, and moose. It is caused by a misfolded protein termed a prion and has been detected in 24 states and two Canadian provinces.



Meat from CWD infected animals should not be eaten. The disease's range continues to slowly expand. Hunter help is needed to stop it from reaching California.

DEER AND HUNTER IMPACTS

A high prevalence of CWD can reduce populations and potentially decrease long-term herd viability. As CWD prevalence increases in an area, the number of hunters seeking tags decreases. This can impact herds by decreasing populations and indirectly through lost funding for wildlife management.

MORE CWD INFORMATION

- <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Laboratories/Wildlife-Investigations/Monitoring/CWD>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/prions/cwd/index.html>
- <http://cwg-info.org/>

HUNTING OUT OF STATE

It is the responsibility of out-of-state hunters to be aware of all laws and regulations pertaining to the state in which they are going to hunt. Proof of hunter education is required. Take note that the California equivalency certificate will not be accepted as evidence of hunter education.

FOLLOW OTHER STATES' REGULATIONS FOR CWD

If you will be hunting out of state in a known CWD endemic area, you should receive information at the time you receive your hunting tag(s) regarding disposal of the carcass remains and mandatory or voluntary CWD testing. It is CDFW's recommendation that any deer or elk harvested in a known CWD area be tested for CWD and receive a negative or not detected result prior to consuming.

NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE

You will be checked at the California border when returning and only the following body parts are allowed into California:

- Boned-out meat and commercially processed cuts of meat,
- Portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached,
- Hides with no heads attached,
- Clean skull plates (no meat or tissue attached) with antlers attached,
- Antlers with no meat or tissue attached,
- Finished taxidermy heads,
- Upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories).

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 712 can be summarized in one phrase: "NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE."

DISPOSAL OF MEAT FROM CWD-POSITIVE ANIMALS

If you are notified that your out-of-state animal tested positive for CWD, contact your regional CDFW office (see page 4) or the Wildlife Investigations Laboratory at (916) 358-2790 for information. DO NOT DISCARD, only certain disposal methods are appropriate for CWD. CDFW will facilitate incinerating or otherwise properly disposing of any meat or tissues

PROCESSING YOUR DEER

See CDFW's video on processing deer or elk to comply with CWD regulations:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=f-t3iCZcovM

WHAT IS CALIFORNIA DOING

Regulatory actions that protect California:

- Importation of captive cervids is tightly regulated and highly restricted.
- Import restrictions on hunter-harvested deer and elk carcasses and parts — "NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE."
- Bans on baiting and feeding of big game.

INCREASED SURVEILLANCE

Since 1999, California has tested approximately 4,500 deer and elk for CWD. To date, no CWD has been found in California deer or elk. However, the potential for CWD to spread to California's deer and elk populations still exists and surveillance for the disease remains important. CDFW will be increasing CWD surveillance efforts throughout the state over the next few years. Hunters are a vital partner in these surveillance efforts and voluntary CWD check stations will be set-up to facilitate surveillance throughout the state. For additional information on surveillance in California visit <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Laboratories/Wildlife-Investigations/Monitoring/CWD> or contact The Wildlife Investigations Laboratory at 916-358-2790 or WILab@wildlife.ca.gov.

HANDLE GAME WITH CAUTION

Whenever hunting, basic safety and hygiene precautions should be taken to protect yourself from injury or exposure to disease when handling wildlife. Minimize the chance of exposure to or spread of CWD by:

- Wear rubber gloves when field dressing carcasses;
- Bone out meat from the animal;
- Minimize the handling of brain and spinal cord, eyes, spleen, and lymph nodes and avoid consuming these tissues;
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.

LACEY ACT

Transporting illegally taken game across state lines is a violation of the federal Lacey Act (T16, US Code 1406). Such transport, if done in connection with commercial activity, may be classified as a felony.

IMPORTATION LAW: SECTION 2353 FISH & GAME CODE

Birds, mammals, fish, reptiles, or amphibians shall not be imported or possessed in this state unless all of the following requirements are met:

1. The animals were legally taken and legally possessed outside of this state,
2. The Fish and Game Code or Title 14 regulations do not expressly prohibit their possession in this state, and
3. A declaration is submitted to the department or a designated state or federal agency at or immediately before the time of entry, in the form and manner prescribed by the department.

Declaration is not required if shipped by common carrier under a bill of lading.

This form may be photocopied. The original copy of the declaration form shall be retained by the person importing the fish or game into the state. One copy shall be mailed to the CDFW, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, within 24 hours after entering the State. One copy shall be deposited at the point of entry with any state or federal agency or officer, and one copy shall remain with the fish or game if transported by other than owner or common carrier.

"Point of entry" refers to the city or town nearest your point of entry into California.



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
California Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

DECLARATION FOR ENTRY INTO CALIFORNIA OF GAME, FISH, BIRDS, OR ANIMALS

Description	Number	Pounds
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

The above species of fish and/or game were legally taken and possessed by

in the County of _____ State of _____

It is illegal to import any animal for commercial purposes prohibited by California law or regulation.

Hunting License Number _____

Angling License Number _____

Vehicle License Number _____

Game Tag Number _____

Signature _____

Address _____

City _____

Entry into California via Highway _____

Date of Entry _____

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Q. Why do I need to show identification when purchasing a license?

A. When you purchase a license you are required to provide identification or a previously issued ALDS license. This ensures CDFW will have an accurate record of your license history and help CDFW serve you better in:

- Tracking customer preference points for CDFW's annual Big Game Drawing.
- Purchasing duplicate licenses.
- Wildlife management efforts, such as harvest reporting.

CDFW does not share or sell customers' personal information.

Q. I tried to purchase my hunting license online, but the online sales system says 'Evidence of Hunter Education Required'. I have purchased a hunting license through the ALDS before, so why is it not on file?

A. You have created a second customer profile (another GO ID) that is not connected to your license history and hunter education record. Log out of the online license sales system and find a previously issued ALDS hunting license or drawing receipt and log in again. Enter the last name, GO ID, and date of birth as it is printed on your license document. Once you have logged into the account that has your hunter education, you will be able to purchase a hunting license and enter the drawing. If you are unable to resolve this issue yourself, contact CDFW's Internet Sales Help Desk at (916) 928-6882 during regular business hours (Monday-Friday, between 8:00 am to 5:00 pm) for assistance.

IMPORTANT: To be included in the Big Game Drawing, submit your application by midnight on June 2. If it is June 2 and you are unable to resolve this issue, go to a license sales agent. Provide your proof of hunter education and customer information for the license sales agent and apply for the Big Game Drawing there.

Q. What can I hunt for with a 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License?

A. The 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is only valid for taking resident and migratory game birds, resident small game mammals, fur-bearing mammals and non-game mammals. A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is not valid to hunt big game.

Q. Do I still need to have my license in possession when hunting or fishing?

A. Under California law you are required to carry your license, validation, report card, or tag with you when you are hunting or fishing.

Q. Do I still have to punch tags and fill out report cards?

A. Yes. All requirements for tagging, identifying and verifying take still apply. Now, you may either report your harvest online at: www.wildlife.ca.gov/tagreporting or mail in the harvest report cards.

Q. What will happen if I do not report my deer tag(s) or report my tag(s) late?

A. All deer tag holders who do not report their deer tag(s) by the regulatory deadline of January 31 of the current license year or report them late will be assessed a non-reporting fee of \$21.60 when purchasing their deer tag drawing application or

deer tag the following year.

NOTE: Mandatory reporting applies to all deer tags issued. Hunters who are issued two deer tags and report one but not the other will still be assessed the non-reporting fee.

LIFETIME LICENSES

Q. How do I claim my lifetime hunting license online?

A. You may claim your license online at: www.ca.wildlifelicenses.com/InternetSales. Log in using your last name, date of birth and GO ID (from your previous hunting license). Select 'Purchase Licenses' from the menu at the top of the page. Select the '2018 Hunting' tab from the left side of the page and select 'Add to Cart' your lifetime hunting license and any other privileges you wish to claim (or purchase). After you have made all your selections, click on 'Check Out' and complete the transaction. There will be a zero dollar balance at the end, but you will need to select the 'Complete Transaction' icon. The transaction is not complete until you do this step. After this you will receive a notice that the transaction is complete and your license will be mailed to you.

BIG GAME DRAWING

Q. Why is the B zone deer tag a restricted deer tag for the 2018 hunting season?

A. Regulations state when a deer tag quota fills on or before the first business day after August 1, the deer tag is classified as a restricted deer tag the following year (CCR T14-708.1(a)(2)(A)(1)). In 2017, the B zone deer tag quota filled on July 17, 2017.

Q. I heard that some hunters were drawn for C zone on their second choice, but I was not. What were my chances of being drawn for a C zone tag as my second choice in 2017?

A. 9,097 hunters applied for C zone as their second choice and there were 1,463 C zone tags available for the second choice drawing. Some of the second choice applicants may be drawn for their first choice already, so there is approximately a 20 percent chance of drawing the C zone tag as a second choice tag.

Q. Why did I get drawn for a premium deer tag when I only wanted to apply for a preference point?

A. To apply for a deer preference point, you must tell the license sales clerk that you want to apply for the code PD (Point Deer). You do not need to indicate a hunt code when applying for a preference point only. Preference points are earned for the species and not a particular zone or hunt.

Want the Latest in Hunting and Fishing News?

CDFW sends monthly hunter and angler update emails featuring special hunting opportunities, drawing reminders and information on other department programs of interest to California's hunters and anglers.

To receive these emails, update your online customer profile with your current email address.



Q. I want to apply for a deer preference point in the Big Game Drawing, but I was issued my first deer tag at the license agent. Will I still earn a preference point?

A. No. If you were issued a first deer tag at the license agent then you were not entered into the Big Game Drawing. You will need to go back to the license agent and tell the sales clerk to cancel the transaction and re-sell you a First Deer Tag Drawing Application with the code PD (Point Deer). The license agent only has four hours to cancel any sales transaction. If it has been more than four hours, contact CDFW's License and Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at LRB@wildlife.ca.gov.

Q. How can I apply for a deer preference point and get an unrestricted or restricted deer hunt tag?

A. Submit a First Deer Tag Drawing Application with a first choice of PD (Point Deer); and a second choice of an unrestricted or restricted deer tag. If your second choice deer tag is available when the Big Game Drawing is conducted, it will be processed in the second round of the drawing. Please see 'How the Drawing Works' on page 16 for more information on the second choice tags.

Q. How can we apply as a party for drawing tags?

A. There are two ways to apply as a party. Members of a party can apply in the same sales transaction or in separate transactions at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales. See page 14 for details on the party application process.

Q. I am the party leader, where can I find my Party Number to give to members of my hunting party so they can join me?

A. The Party Number is located above your hunt choice(s) on your Drawing Receipt for each species for which you applied. Make sure you give the correct Party Number to the correct party members of each species.

Q. I don't have my party leader's Party Number. Will the license agent be able to join us together?

A. No. You must have the Party Number to join another hunter's party. This is done to ensure that only hunters the party leader allows may join his/her party. CDFW license sales offices and license agents cannot provide you with another hunter's Party Number, only the party leader or members of the party can provide you with their Party Number.

Q. Can a junior hunter apply for a premium deer zone and an Apprentice Hunt on the same application?

A. Yes. Junior hunters who wish to apply for an Apprentice Hunt and a premium deer hunt on the same application must use a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application. Either the Apprentice Hunt or Premium deer hunt will be your first choice (which ever you want the most) and the other as your second choice. You will be issued a preference point if you are unsuccessful in receiving your first choice and your second choice tag will be processed in the second round of the drawing (if the hunt you chose has not filled by the second round of the drawing). If the junior hunter applies for an Apprentice Hunt on the First-Deer Tag Drawing Application, they cannot submit a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

Q. My daughter is a junior hunter. We want to apply together for an X zone tag. Can she apply with me for an X zone tag and still apply for an Apprentice Hunt?

A. Yes. You both can apply as a party for the X zone tag using your First-Deer Tag Drawing Application. Your daughter can apply for the Apprentice Hunts using her Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

Q. Will a junior hunter earn two deer preference points if he/she is unsuccessful for both deer tag applications for a premium deer hunt and an Apprentice Hunt tag?

A. No. Hunters may only earn one preference point per species (CCR T14-708.14(c)). Junior hunters submitting two applications in the drawing will earn one preference point if they are unsuccessful in their first choice tag on both applications. If they are successful in their first choice tag on either application their preference points will be reset to zero.

Q. If a junior hunter applies for a premium deer hunt on a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application and an Apprentice Hunt on a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application, how are the tag choices processed in the drawing? Which application has a higher priority?

A. Neither deer tag application has a priority. The computer assigns each deer tag application a unique random number. The preference point value for each application is calculated the same way, the success or non-success of one application does not affect the other application.

Q. What does a Drawing Receipt look like?

A. Every applicant will receive a Drawing Receipt (DRA for deer, ELA for elk, ANA for pronghorn and SHA for sheep - printed at the upper right hand corner) for each species submitted. If you were not issued a receipt as pictured, you may not have been entered into the Big Game Drawing and you will not earn a preference point or be drawn for a premium deer tag.

Note: Online sales customers will not receive them in the mail, you may print your drawing receipt at the end of the sales transaction. Telephone sales customers will receive them in the mail.



Q. How will I know that my tag choices for the drawing were entered correctly?

A. Verify that your tag choices are printed correctly on your Drawing Receipt. You may also verify your tag choices and view all your license items by accessing your customer profile online at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales. Once you are signed in, you will select the 'View My Drawing Applications/Preference Points' link at the top of the page.

Q. When do I lose preference points?

A. You lose all accumulated preference points for a species, as follows:

- Deer - You lose all accumulated preference points when you are drawn for a premium tag as your first choice.
- Elk, Pronghorn and Bighorn Sheep - You lose all accumulated preference points for a species if you are drawn for and pay for the tag.
- You also lose all accumulated preference points for any species if you do not participate in the drawing for that species for five (5) consecutive years.

Q. I did not apply in the Big Game Drawing and it is now past the deadline; will I still be able to earn a preference point for this year?

A. No. You will not earn a preference point for this year and you will not lose your previously accrued preference points. However, a hunter's points are reduced to zero when they have not applied for five (5) consecutive years. A missed application deadline is considered as not applying.

If it is after midnight on June 2, the drawing applications for deer, elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep will not be available in the "Drawings" list to purchase and apply for the drawing

Q. I cannot hunt this year. How can I earn a preference point for deer, elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep?

A. At a license agent, CDFW license sales office or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458, you will need to purchase a California hunting license and inform the sales clerk you are applying in the Big Game Drawing. You will need to indicate to the sales clerk, which drawing application(s) you want to apply for; such as: deer, elk, pronghorn or bighorn sheep. To earn a preference point for deer the code is **PD**, elk is **499**, pronghorn is **799** and bighorn sheep is **599**.

If applying online, select the "2018 Hunting" tab and "add to the cart" a California hunting license and in the "Drawing" menu, "add to the cart" the drawing applications you want to apply for and enter the corresponding preference point code as indicated above.

To earn the preference point(s), the transaction must be completed before midnight on June 2, 2018.

Q. How can I check my preference point totals in ALDS?

A. Your preference point totals are printed on your Drawing Receipt(s). The receipt will include the applicant's name, hunt choice(s), and accumulated preference points. You can also check your preference points by logging on to your customer profile at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales and click on the link "View My Draw Application/Preference Points" at the top of the page.

Q. How will CDFW track my preference points?

A. CDFW tracks preference points for current and future drawings using your GO ID. To accurately track your preference points, you must use the same GO ID number to apply in the drawing each year. If you have changes or corrections to your mailing address, you may log into your customer profile and update at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales. If you have changes or corrections to your name, identification number, such as a driver's license number or date of birth, you must notify CDFW in writing at:

License and Revenue Branch
1740 N. Market Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95834
or email: LRB@wildlife.ca.gov

**FUND-RAISING
RANDOM DRAWINGS
FOR BIG GAME TAGS****Q. Do I need to purchase a 2018-19 hunting license to apply?**

A. Applicants are not required to possess a valid 2018-19 California hunting license at the time of entry. However, the successful tag holder must possess a valid 2018-19 annual California hunting license before the tag is issued.

Q. What is the deadline to apply?

A. The application must be submitted and the sales transaction completed before midnight on June 2, 2018.

Q. Is there a limit on the number of times I can apply?

A. No. You may apply as many times as you want for each tag.

Q. If I am drawn for a Fund-raising Random Drawing tag, will I lose my preference points?

A. No. Preference points are not part of the fund-raising random drawing tag process. Preference points are only earned and applicable towards the general big game tag drawings.

Q. If I am drawn, what are the tag fees for the Fund-raising Random Drawing tags?

A. If you are drawn for a Fund-raising Random Drawing deer, elk, pronghorn or bighorn sheep tag, the tag will be provided at no additional charge.

Q. If I apply in the Big Game Drawing and receive a premium deer zone tag, can I still receive the Fund-raising Random Drawing Open Zone deer tag?

A. Yes, you would receive the Fund-raising Random Drawing Open Zone deer tag as your second deer tag.

Q. If I apply for the Open Zone Deer Fund-raising Random Drawing and win, but already have two deer tags, can I still get the Fund-raising Random Drawing tag?

A. Yes, however, hunters are restricted each year to no more than two deer tags. In this case you would have to surrender either your First-deer or Second-deer tag prior to issuance of the Open Zone Deer Fund-raising tag.

OBTAINING HUNTING MAPS**Q. Where can I obtain hunting maps for deer zones?**

A. General maps detailing individual zone or deer hunt boundaries can be found at CDFW's website: www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Deer.

Additional maps are also available from:

- U.S. Forest Service (USFS) online at www.fs.fed.us/visit/maps/;
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM) at 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825, by phone at 916-978-4400 or online at www.blm.gov/california;
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) from sporting goods, backpacking or engineering stores or by contacting the Rocky Mountain Mapping Center, Branch of Information Services, Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225, by phone at 888-ASK-USGS or online at www.usgs.gov/products/maps/overview.

OTHER**Q. What should I do if I harvest a bear with a GPS collar?**

A. If you harvest a bear with a GPS collar, please return the collar to your local CDFW Regional Office. The collar contains important information regarding CDFW's bear aversive condition study in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

For more Frequently Asked Questions on hunting you may visit our web site at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Hunting/Big-Game.

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